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TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/4/73

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN,  
REALM OF OHIO  
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Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 5/4/73; Cleveland  
airtel to Bureau, 5/16/73; and Cincinnati nitel to Bureau,  
5/17/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an  
LHM dated and captioned above. Two copies of same LHM  
are being forwarded to U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio.  
FD-376 being submitted.

Two informational copies are also being sent to  
Atlanta and Cincinnati, in view of their interest in this  
matter.

Source utilized in the enclosed LHM is [redacted]  
Source advised that the Klan meeting held on 5/6/73 at  
Loveland, Ohio, was to prepare for the rally held on 5/17/73.  
LHM is datelined Cincinnati, Ohio, to protect source.

- ENCLOSURE
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E.O. # 12356  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 157-5031

6/4/73

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX  
KLAN, REALM OF OHIO

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

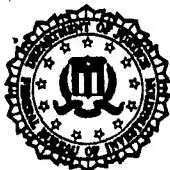
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Very truly yours,

William D. Ruckelshaus  
Acting Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2)  
U. S. Secret Service CLEVELAND

Enclosure(s)



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Cincinnati, Ohio  
June 4, 1973

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN,  
REALM OF OHIO

On May 22, 1973, a source who has provided reliable information in the past concerning Klan matters, provided the following information:

The Ohio National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held a rally at Loveland Park, outside Cincinnati, Ohio, on Saturday May 19, 1973. The rally was threatened with cancellation due to heavy rains throughout the day, but it was held from 8:30 PM until approximately 11:00 PM with about 75 people in attendance.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN

The NKKKK was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern States, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic and anti-foreign born.

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Preparations for the rally commenced at 2:00 PM that date. Those involved in the preparations were [redacted] and several people from the Loveland Park area. [redacted] Ohio NKKKK [redacted] from Lodi, Ohio, and [redacted] from the Akron, Ohio area. Preparations included stringing electrical wire for the public address system, sign painting and assembling the cross. During the preparations, [redacted] went to the airport to pick up the rally's guest speaker, JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK.

The rally got under way at approximately 8:30 PM when the [redacted] of Alliance, Ohio, said the opening prayer and gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag. [redacted] then gave the first speech on the speakers platform,

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which was a twenty foot International flatbed truck. The speech explained the biblical laws concerning genetics, and the evils of the Ohio State lottery among other things.

The next speaker was [redacted] from Akron, Ohio, who used the name of [redacted] at this rally. [redacted] is the [redacted] for the Ohio NKKKK and he spoke about the importance of youth in the Klan. He blamed the problems of American youth in the schools for not properly educating the students and pushing white shame propaganda.

The following speaker was [redacted] Ohio NKKKK [redacted] spoke vehemently concerning the changes he has introduced into the Ohio Klan and the need to portray a new image of the Klan to the American people. [redacted] stated that the Ohio NKKKK is attempting to recruit women, youth, and Catholics to fill its ranks, and it is attempting to keep out the troublemakers, who want to burn a cross or tar and feather a black because he's black. [redacted] emphasized the need to screen out these potential troublemakers.

[redacted] from Columbus, Ohio, then gave a short speech and he was followed by the Imperial Wizard, JAMES R. VENABLE. VENABLE spoke about crooked politics, race mixing, and the "good old days" of the Klan. VENABLE also stated that new Klan members would be closely checked, since there are individuals "who will infiltrate and spy for a few dollars".

[redacted] from Akron, Ohio, was the final speaker and he gave a one minute rendition on socialism and ADOLF HITLER.

After the speeches, about 15 robed Klansmen and one woman assembled around the cross. They walked around the cross in a counter clockwise direction with every other person holding a red flare. The cross was then lit, burned, and the rally concluded.

Also present at the rally were representatives of the National States Rights Party (NSRP), [redacted] of the Cincinnati, Ohio area. They were distributing leaflets concerning white power.



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NSRP

A source has described the NSRP as an anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, white racist political party composed of past members of klan-type organizations and other right-wing groups.

About twenty vehicles were noted at this rally and all were from Ohio.

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## Intelligence Division

## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 6/9/73

Attached from Cleveland Office advises that Agents of the Akron Resident Agency have seen known members of the National Knights of KKK on the same floor in the building which houses the Akron Resident Agency on two occasions in the very recent past. These individuals were challenged and left the area without incident. One individual was observed trying to conceal a 35 millimeter camera with telephoto lens. Two of the individuals observed were formerly associated with right-wing organizations which included in its membership two individuals who had been prosecuted for bombing matters. Cleveland Office advised that local law enforcement agencies and building security personnel have been notified and sources have been alerted. Text of Cleveland message has been relayed to all offices having any KKK activity advising them to be alert for such incidents. Cleveland Office has been advised by teletype to take necessary investigative steps to determine if any Klan activity against Bureau personnel or space is planned.

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TELETYPE

URGENT

SAC,  
TO: CLEVELAND (157-222)

FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK); EM.

REURTEL 6/9/73<sup>dyn</sup> CAPTIONED "EXTREMIST MATTERS, AKRON, OHIO".

FBIHQ NOT PREVIOUSLY ADVISED OF INFORMATION CONCERNING SURVEILLANCE OF FBI SPACE NOR OF ANY CURRENT PLANS TO DESTROY GOVERNMENT PROPERTY OR INJURE BUREAU PERSONNEL BY NKKKK MEMBERS.

CLEVELAND SHOULD TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO INSURE SECURITY OF AKRON RESIDENT AGENCY AND PERSONNEL ASSIGNED THERETO.

PROMPTLY AND AGGRESSIVELY UNDERTAKE NECESSARY INVESTIGATIVE STEPS TO ASCERTAIN WHY NKKKK PERSONNEL ARE BECOMING SO INTERESTED IN SPACE OCCUPIED BY AKRON RESIDENT AGENCY.

PROMPTLY INTERVIEW NKKKK LEADERS;

AND OTHER INDIVIDUAL KLAN MEMBERS TO ASCERTAIN PURPOSE OF ACTIONS DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

INSURE ALL WHITE-HATE INFORMANTS TARGETED TO DEVELOP DATA CONCERNING INCIDENTS DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

INSURE APPROPRIATE POLICE PROMPTLY FURNISH ANY DATA THEY MAY DEVELOP CONCERNING THIS MATTER.

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

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Teletype to Cleveland  
Re: National Knights of Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)

NOTE:

On 6/6/73, [REDACTED] NKKKK member, observed on same floor of building which houses Akron Resident Agency; he thereafter followed Agents to area where their cars were parked. He eventually fled scene. On 6/9/73, [REDACTED] NKKKK member, observed on same floor of building which houses Akron Resident Agency with individual with 35 millimeter camera with telephoto lens. [REDACTED] former associates of two white-hate types who have been convicted on bombing charges. Photograph apparently taken of exterior of Akron Resident Agency. Local police and individuals responsible for security of building housing Akron Resident Agency have been advised.

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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (157-618)  
FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
REALM OF OHIO  
EM - KLAN

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On 6/1/73, [redacted] advised that [redacted] NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, met with him on 5/20/73. [redacted] advised sources that he had made tentative arrangements for a 6/30/73 NKKKK rally on a farm outside Dayton. The arrangements apparently were made on 5/19/73, when the owner of the farm attended the NKKKK rally held in Loveland Park, Ohio. [redacted] has no information relative to the name or address of the farm outside Dayton.

Other Cincinnati sources negative regarding this planned event. Cincinnati sources will be instructed to attend as it is determined the event will actually take place.

LEADS:

CLEVELAND

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Contact [redacted] to determine if he has any knowledge regarding the planned rally and advise the Bureau and Cincinnati.

- 2-Bureau
- 2-Cleveland
- 3-Cincinnati
- (2-157-245)
- (1-[redacted])

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Approved: 54 JUN 22 1973  
Special Agent in Charge

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CINCINNATI

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will maintain contact with sources for further verifying information and advise Bureau and other interested Offices.

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12:02 PM NITEL 6/10/73 RLM

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR ( ATTENTION: INTD ) : (157-168)  
COLUMBIA

FROM: ATLANTA (157-60) (P INACTIVE) 4

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PLANNED RALLY NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX KLAN, HARTWELL, GA,

6/9/73; EM- KLAN.

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SOURCE ADVISED 6/10/73 THAT RALLY SPONSORED BY HART COUNTY KLAVERN  
OF THE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK) TOOK PLACE AS  
SCHEDULED ON SATURDAY EVENING 6/9/73 OUTSIDE OF HARTWELL, GEORGIA.  
RALLY STARTED AT 8:00 PM, ONE HOUR LATER THAN SCHEDULED BECAUSE OF  
INCLEMENT WEATHER. APPROXIMATELY 125 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE RALLY AND  
HEARD SPEECHES BY NKKKK IMPERIAL WIZARD JAMES VENABLE AND NKKKK  
GEORGIA [REDACTED] FROM SOUTH CAROLINA.

NO CROSSES WERE BURNED AND RALLY ENDED 11:00 PM. THERE WERE NO  
INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO BUREAU 6/5/73.

SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

LHM FOLLOWS.

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AGENCY: 100-441,051, SEC. SERV., 106  
HOW FORW: 2155, CRD, 100-441,051  
DATE FORW: 6/11/73  
BY: MSE/HU

CC: Trainor

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12:15 PM URGENT 6/22/73 DAL  
TO ACTING DIRECTOR 157-168  
ATTENTION: INTD  
COLUMBIA  
FROM ATLANTA 157-60

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, EM-KLAN

SOURCE ADVISED 6/22/73 THAT NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX  
KLAN IMPERIAL WIZARD JAMES R. VENABLE, NKKKK GEORGIA STATE

WOULD BE TRAVELING TO SPARTANBURG SOUTH  
CAROLINA TO ATTEND NKKKK PILOT COMMITTEE MEETING WEEKEND OF 6/23-24/73.  
TRAVEL PLANS NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME.

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ATLANTA NOT REQUESTING ADDITIONAL EXPENSES AT THIS TIME FOR  
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MONTHLY EXPENSES. SOURCE WILL BE DEBRIEFED ON RETURN AND INFO  
DISSEMINATED TO BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES.

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MR. TRAINOR

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# Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)  
ATTN: INTD

DATE: 6/27/73

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P\*)

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SUBJECT: PLANNED RALLY SPONSORED  
BY THE HARTWELL KLAVERN,  
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, 6/9/73,  
HARTWELL, GEORGIA  
EM - NKKKK

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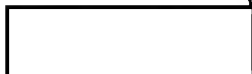
Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, 6/10/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original  
and seven copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Enclosed for Columbia are two copies of  
this LHM.

One copy of this LHM is being disseminated  
locally to the U. S. Secret Service, Atlanta, Ga.

Source utilized in enclosed LHM is



- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 8) **ENCLOSURE**  
2 - Columbia (Enc. 2)  
5 - Atlanta (1 - 157-60) (NKKKK)  
(1 - 157-370) (JAMES VENABLE)  
(1 - 157-1462)  
(1 - 157-1684)  
(1 - 157-4214) (HART COUNTY KLAVERN)

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DATE FORW: 7/6/73

BY: MSE/PAH

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia

June 27, 1973

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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 J. J. J.

PLANNED RALLY SPONSORED  
BY THE HARTWELL KLAVERN,  
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, JUNE 9, 1973,  
HARTWELL, GEORGIA  
EXTREMIST MATTERS -  
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU  
KLUX KLAN

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A source advised as follows on June 10, 1973:

A rally and cross burning sponsored by the Hart County Klavern, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) was held on Saturday evening, June 9, 1973, outside of Hartwell, Georgia. The rally started at 8:00 p.m., one hour later than originally planned due to the inclement weather. Approximately 125 people were in attendance at the rally.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

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ENCLOSURE

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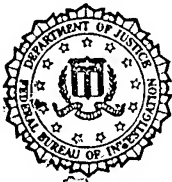
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Principal speaker at the rally was NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable, who gave a speech on the history of the Klan and urged those in attendance to join the Klan, if they were not already members of it.

Speeches were also given by NKKKK [redacted] a Klansman from South Carolina. Both spoke on school busing, national problems, and the advantages of being a Klansman. [redacted] of the Hart County Klavern, acted as master of ceremonies.

Due to the weather no crosses were burned.

Rally ended at 11:00 p.m., and there were no incidents of violence.



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Atlanta, Georgia

June 27, 1973

Title PLANNED RALLY SPONSORED  
BY THE HARTWELL KLAVERN,  
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, JUNE 9, 1973,  
HARTWELL, GEORGIA  
Character EXTREMIST MATTERS - NATIONAL  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
Reference Memorandum captioned and dated  
as above prepared at Atlanta

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Date: 6/28/73

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_ (Priority)

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TO: Acting Director, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, Indianapolis (157-175)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF  
THE KU KLUX KLAN  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8

00: Atlanta

Re Indianapolis airtel dated 5/14/73 captioned

Enclosed for the Bureau is an original and seven copies of an LHM captioned as above.

Information copies of this LHM are being provided for Atlanta, OO of captioned organization, and Columbia as information set forth in LHM concerns activities which took place in Spartanburg, S. Carolina, and may be of local interest to Columbia. Additional copies are being provided to offices covering areas for persons who were in attendance.

sources alluded to in LHM are identical to

Source has been reimbursed for his expenses which were incurred by utilizing existing Bureau authorization. To further conceal the identity of this sensitive source, LHM is being datelined Spartanburg, South Carolina. 100-107

No dissemination being made to U.S. Secret Service, Indianapolis, as information set forth in LHM is not local in character.

2 - Bureau (Enc. - 8)

1 - Atlanta (Enc. - 1) (157- 60) (Info)

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Special Agent in Charge

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Spartanburg, South Carolina

June 28, 1973

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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On June 27, 1973, [redacted] confidential source [redacted] of whom have provided reliable information in the past, furnished the following information:

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) held a national board meeting on the afternoon of June 23, 1973, in Spartanburg, South Carolina, at [redacted]. This location is owned by [redacted] of South Carolina, and a Klan lodge hall is located on the second floor.

A roll call of board members was held and [redacted] served as secretary. Those present included James Venable, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK; [redacted] representing South Carolina; [redacted] United Klans of America, Inc. [redacted] from Indiana; [redacted] NKKKK [redacted] from Ohio; [redacted] of New Jersey; NKKKK [redacted] from Georgia; [redacted] (phonetic) from New York; and [redacted] who accompanied a well-known Klan speaker who also brought [redacted]

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NUMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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The United Klans of America, Inc., was chartered in 1961 in Georgia. Its aims and purposes are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races. It is the dominant Klan group in the South with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is currently active in several states.

The United Klans of America, Inc., (UKA), Realm of Indiana, is subordinate to the parent organization, UKA, Inc., Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The UKA is not chartered in Indiana and is led by [redacted] [redacted] Its objectives are the promotion of Americanism, segregation of the races, and white supremacy.

There were several other persons present, but they did not participate in the discussion. Mr. Venable spoke to the board members but most of the afternoon was spent in visitation, and the meeting was adjourned so that those present could eat and prepare themselves for a Klan rally which was being held near Spartanburg, South Carolina, that evening.

The rally was held in an open field near the Peach Blossom Motel where [redacted] had arranged for those attending to stay at their own expense. Approximately 175 to 200 persons attended the Klan rally which featured a cross-burning and a major speech by Mr. Venable, who spoke for over an hour on Klan philosophy. [redacted] also spoke briefly and greatly impressed those in attendance. He is described as a white male in his early 30s, of Dutch descent, and very clean-cut looking.

[redacted] of the NKKKK, was also present and made a few brief remarks. Following the Klan rally, many of the out-of-town visitors got together and visited with one another at the Peach Blossom Motel.

[redacted] confidential source advised that during the first day of the meeting, which was aimed at achieving unity among Klan groups, there was a rift between [redacted] Indiana, a UKA officer, and Mr. Venable. [redacted] of Ohio seemed to be the mediator in this dispute which stemmed from [redacted] loss of his units to the NKKKK banner. The outcome of this whole dispute resulted in [redacted] Venable giving [redacted] \$50 each for his State Klan operations.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

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[redacted] confidential sources advised the national board meeting continued on Sunday, and [redacted] of Ohio presented a lengthy proposal for a national program to be drawn up and presented to the board at its next meeting on Labor Day at Stone Mountain.

[redacted] confidential source advised that during this meeting, it was learned that a man named [redacted] from North Carolina will also be placed on the national board to represent North Carolina. This source learned that [redacted] was formerly active in the United Klans of America, Inc., but had flunked the polygraph test. This man explained that he was flunked on the polygraph test at the order of [redacted] and seemed very much opposed to [redacted] of the UKA. [redacted] confidential source also learned that [redacted] is now dealing with [redacted] rather than through UKA [redacted]

[redacted] confidential sources advised that Mr. James Venable was made the permanent head of the national board and that there would be ten members, plus Venable, on the board.

[redacted] confidential source advised at the close of the meeting it was announced the UKA had scheduled their Imperial Klonvocation for the Labor Day weekend rather than the customary Thanksgiving weekend, and there was a great deal of dissatisfaction over this. James Venable publicly and repeatedly denounced [redacted] for his refusal to cooperate with the Klan and conservative groups.



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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (105-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
REALM OF OHIO  
EM-KLANALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 [signature]

Re CI airtel to Bureau, 6/7/73.

On 6/12 and 6/25/73, [redacted] was contacted and he advised he had no info re an NKKKK rally in Dayton, Ohio, on 6/30/73. Source added, however, that in the past, [redacted] NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, has given last-minute notice re Klan affairs.

Source advised he would immediately contact the FBI should he develop any info re the planned event and the Bureau and CI will be advised accordingly.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (157-168)

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FROM ATLANTA (157-60)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN. EM - NKKKK.

[REDACTED] ADVISED 7/2/73 THAT AN INDIANA GROUP OF THE UNITED  
KLANS OF AMERICA INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA) WAS  
GOING TO WITHDRAW FROM THE UKA AND GO WITH THE NATIONAL KNIGHTS  
OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK). SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT UKA  
GROUPS FROM CICERO, ILLINOIS, NORTH CAROLINA AND SOUTH CAROLINA  
WERE ALSO CONSIDERING SUCH A MOVE. SOURCE DID NOT KNOW IF ALL  
STATE ORGANIZATIONS IN INDIANA, ILLINOIS, NORTH CAROLINA AND  
SOUTH CAROLINA WERE INVOLVED IN THE CHANGE OVER OR JUST ISOLATED  
GROUPS.

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-8010) (P\*)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (KKK)  
EM-KLAN

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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 JCF/ab

ReNYnitel to Bureau, dated 6/19/73, captioned [redacted]  
EM-KLAN".

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM, captioned and dated as above, concerning meetings of Imperial Council Board of captioned-organization held 6/23, 24/73, and Klan rally 6/23/73, Spartanburg, S.C.

- 2-Bureau (Encl. 1) (RM)  
2-Atlanta (Encl. 2) (RM)  
    (1-157- ) (JAMES VENABLE)  
3-Birmingham (Encl. 3) (RM)  
    (1-157-4602) (UKA)  
    (1-157- ) [redacted]  
2-Columbia (Encl. 2) (RM)  
    (1-157- ) [redacted]  
2-Cincinnati (Encl. 2) (RM)  
2-Cleveland (Encl. 2) (RM)  
2-Indianapolis (Encl. 2) (RM)  
    (1-157- ) [redacted]  
4-Jacksonville (Encl. 4) (RM)  
    (1-157- ) (Bedford Forest KKK)  
    (1-157- ) [redacted]  
    (1-157- ) [redacted]  
2-Newark (Encl. 2) (RM)  
    (1-157-5307) [redacted]  
1-New York (157-7438) [redacted]  
1-New York (157-9129) (Klavern 102, Pine Bush)  
2-New York 2-Crim/1-CRD/1-SS  
            By R/S 8/20/73

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Special Agent in Charge

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Appropriate copies of the LHM based on its contents are enclosed for indicated offices.

Attached are two copies of an FD 376 for transmittal to Secret Service, WDC.

A copy of LHM is being disseminated to Secret Service, NYC.

Source utilized in the LHM is [redacted] who reported on a small group of subjects who attended meetings described in attached. It is noted source was not in a position to attend these meetings but did obtain in essence what transpired.

LHM is being classified "Confidential" with exception of those paragraphs marked "U" as unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to damage national security by compromising source utilized, who is furnishing valuable information on a continuing basis relative to KKK activities.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. Bufile 157-168  
NYfile 157-8010

July 10, 1973

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: National Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan (KKK)

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

*William D. Ruckelshaus*

William D. Ruckelshaus  
Acting Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1  
U. S. Secret Service, NYC (RM)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York

July 11, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK)

On July 2, 1973, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised a meeting of the

[redacted] of the National Knights of the KKK was held on [redacted]

[redacted] South Carolina Realm, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK), was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti foreign born.

The following Klan officials were present at this meeting:

[redacted]

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South Carolina Realm  
National Knights of KKK

James Venable  
Imperial Wizzard  
National Knights of KKK

[redacted]

New Jersey Realm  
National Knights of KKK

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National Knights of the  
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[REDACTED]  
New York State Realm  
National Knights of KKK

[REDACTED] SC  
Ohio Realm  
National Knights of KKK

[REDACTED]  
Indiana Realm  
United Klans of America (UKA)

[REDACTED] SC  
Bedford Forest KKK  
Florida

[REDACTED]  
Florida Realm  
Bedford Forest KKK

[REDACTED] meeting was called  
to order by James Venable at 2:15 PM, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Discussion at this meeting centered upon the  
development of unity between the National Knights and the  
UKA. James Venable requested [REDACTED] to explain the  
position of [REDACTED] regarding  
the unity problem. [REDACTED] has not directly  
commented on this issue but had instructed him not to attend  
[REDACTED]

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National Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan (KKK)

[ ] is concerned over the disclosure of information about UKA activities outside the organization and is requiring National UKA leaders and UKA Grand Dragons take polygraph tests.

[ ] related he would not be allowed to take a seat on the [ ] unless he left the UKA.

[ ] further commented [ ] has called for a national meeting of UKA Grand Dragons on September 1 - 2, 1973, which is the same weekend the National Knights plan to hold a national rally. According to [ ] has done this in order to prevent any UKA Grand Dragons from attending the rally.

The meeting ended at 4:05 PM, at which time Venable announced there would be a Klan rally that evening on Route 9 North, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

[ ] at 7:30 PM, a Klan rally sponsored by the National Knights of the KKK was held at the location as announced by Venable with approximately 200 persons attending. (U)

All of the klan officials who attended the [ ] meeting that afternoon were the featured speakers at the rally. Each speaker talked about the klan in his own state and how that organization could held all white Christian people unite under one roof. No mention of violence was made by these speakers. (U)

The rally ended at 11:30 PM, with closing words being given by [ ] and the lighting of a forty foot cross. All of the Grand Dragons left the rally and stayed at the Buttercup Motel, Spartanburg, South Carolina, where reservations had been made under the name of Heritage Enterprises  
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Ku Klux Klan (KKK)

[redacted] a second meeting [redacted]  
[redacted] convened at 10:00 AM, at the residence of  
[redacted] with the same klan officials present who attended  
the [redacted] meeting.

The main purpose of this meeting was to explain  
and standardize the klan initiation ceremony. [redacted]  
his state officers conducted the ceremony and explained the  
entire ritual.

[redacted] 300 Klorans which had  
been printed by members of Klavern 102, Pine Bush, New York (NY).  
[redacted] a check for \$50.00 to cover the printing  
costs. Venable also gave [redacted] a check for \$60.00 to  
help purchase printing supplies.

[redacted] was offered employment by [redacted]  
[redacted] and his organization but [redacted] refused because  
he does not want to leave the National Knights. Venable also  
offered [redacted] a job but gave no answer stating he was grateful  
and would talk it over with his family.

The meeting ended at 3:30 PM, with the next meeting  
of the [redacted] scheduled for September 1-2,  
1973, at Venable's residence, Stone Mountain, Georgia.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York  
July 10, 1973

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Title      National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

Character    Extremist Matters - Klan

Reference is made to letterhead memorandum  
of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as  
above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

July 19, 1973

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National Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan (KKK)

On July 2, 1973, a confidential source who has  
furnished reliable information in the past, advised a meeting  
of [redacted] of the National Knights  
of the KKK was held on [redacted] at the residence of  
[redacted] South Carolina Realm, Spartanburg,  
South Carolina.

The KKK has been designated  
pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The following Klan officials were present at this  
meeting:

[redacted]  
South Carolina Realm  
National Knights of KKK

James Venable  
Imperial Wizzard  
National Knights of KKK

[redacted]  
New Jersey Realm  
National Knights of KKK

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To: SAC, New York (157-8010)

7/20/73

From: Director, FBI (157-168) - 1037

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
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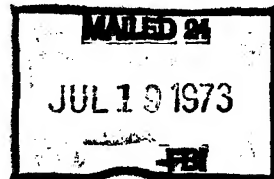
ReNYairtel and LHM 7/11/73.

Referenced LHM contains information relating to the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) and also contains a statement that the Ku Klux Klan has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The NKKKK and the Ku Klux Klan are two separate organizations. The statement in the LHM that the Ku Klux Klan has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 does not pertain to the NKKKK and should be deleted. The LHM should contain a documentation of the NKKKK which has been furnished your office in a thumbnail sketch which is included in the Atlanta report of SA [redacted] dated 4/9/73 captioned "National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Extremist Matter - Klan."

Dissemination of the LHM is being held in abeyance by FBIHQ pending the submission of amended page 1 of the LHM. In the amended page you are to include the thumbnail sketch of the NKKKK for documentation of this organization. You should furnish a copy of the amended page 1 of referenced LHM to U. S. Secret Service, New York City. Score error for responsible personnel.

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NOTE:

New York Office submitted an LHM containing information pertaining to the NKKKK and included in the LHM a statement that the Ku Klux Klan has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. Executive Order 10450 does not pertain to the NKKKK and New York being instructed to submit amended page 1 of LHM deleting the statement concerning Executive Order 10450 and inserting instead the thumbnail sketch of the NKKKK for documentation of that organization. The thumbnail sketch of the NKKKK has not been furnished to the field on a field-wide basis but is included in the Atlanta report of SA [redacted] dated 4/9/73 captioned "National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Extremist Matter - Klan," copies of which were furnished New York. Dissemination of LHM being held in abeyance pending New York submission of amended page 1.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 7/23/73

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FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P\*)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
EM - NKKKK

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 JAC/et

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, dated 6/22/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and 7 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of this LHM are enclosed for offices having persons attending and/or an interest in this matter. This LHM is written to reflect being prepared at Columbia, South Carolina, to further conceal identity of the [redacted] source.

Source utilized was [redacted]

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2 - Cincinnati (Enc. 2) (1 - 157-[redacted])  
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2 - Newark (Enc. 2) (1 - 157-NKKKK)  
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4 - Atlanta (2 - 157-60) (1 - 157-370) (VENABLE)  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Columbia, South Carolina  
July 23, 1973

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A source advised as follows on [redacted]

[redacted] Meeting of the  
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) was held at  
the [redacted] Realm of South  
Carolina, Spartanburg, South Carolina, on June 23-24, 1973.

The NKKKK, Inc., was granted a charter in  
Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social,  
and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation  
of various Klans in southern States, continues to  
be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and  
anti-foreign born.

The following Klan leaders were in attendance  
at this meeting: Jim Venable, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK;  
[redacted] Realm of South Carolina,  
NKKKK; [redacted] Realm of Georgia, NKKKK;  
[redacted] Realm of New York, NKKKK;  
[redacted] Realm of New Jersey, NKKKK;  
[redacted] Realm of Ohio, NKKKK;  
[redacted] Realm of Indiana, United Klans of  
America, Incorporated, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

The United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), was  
chartered in 1961 in Georgia. Its aims and purposes  
are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy  
and segregation of the races. It is the dominant  
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM on [redacted] by James R. Venable. Discussion centered around plans to unify various Klan groups throughout the United States. [redacted] was asked to explain the position of UKA [redacted] stated [redacted] seemed opposed to unification since he did not want he [redacted] to attend this meeting.

Nothing was accomplished at the [redacted] Meeting at this time except that it was decided to hold the next meeting [redacted] on September 1-2, 1973, at Venable's residence, Stone Mountain, Georgia, which is also the location Venable planned to hold his annual rally.

On the evening of [redacted] those in attendance at the [redacted] Meeting attended a Klan Rally held in Spartanburg, South Carolina.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

*In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Title            NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Character

Reference    Memorandum prepared at Columbia,  
              South Carolina, dated and captioned  
              as above.

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Date: 7/30/73

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-618)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)(P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
REALM OF OHIOALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 J. J. [signature]

On 7/23/73, [redacted] advised there was an initiation held at the home of [redacted] Ohio, on [redacted] in NKKKK, Realm of Ohio. In attendance at the initiation were 16 individuals. Four of these individuals were initiated into the NKKKK during this all-day affair. Besides [redacted] the following individuals were noted in attendance:

[redacted]  
Fayetteville, Ohio[redacted]  
Fayetteville, Ohio[redacted]  
Loveland, Ohio[redacted] REC-47  
Loveland, Ohio

②-Bureau  
2-Atlanta  
6-Cleveland (2-157-NKKKK)  
(2-157-[redacted])  
(2-157-[redacted])

2-Cincinnati  
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[REDACTED]  
Akron, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Cleveland, Ohio

[REDACTED]

During the all-day affair, the following was observed by the source:

1. [REDACTED] indicated that the NKKKK was purchasing five acres of land in Lodi, Ohio, and planning on building a state headquarters on this land.

2. [REDACTED] claims he will run for Governor of the State of Ohio in the next election.

3. The officers of the Klan have monthly meetings, but no place was mentioned.

4. A letter was read from the New Imperial Wizard of Canada, which letter indicated that this individual would be in the Ohio area in the near future.

5. [REDACTED] mentioned he was in South Carolina last week end. He said the NKKKK joined forces with the UKA. [REDACTED] indicated he was going back to South Carolina the week of 7/23-28/73.

6. An individual, name unknown, displayed a small electronic device which he called a bug and showed the gathering how it worked. It was observed by the source that by turning on a car's FM radio, he could listen to what was being said into the bug device from a distance of approximately 50 yards. The individual who had the device also displayed how he could change it to different FM frequencies. This individual is described as approximately 6'2" tall, 230 pounds, black hair, and 41 years of age. He stated that

he owns a business in the Lodi area and that he was

[REDACTED]

At the initiation [REDACTED] told of plans for another initiation to be held at the home of [REDACTED] on 8/4/73.

On 8/5/73, the NKKKK is planning a rally to be held at Dayton, Ohio. The 8/5/73 rally at Dayton, Ohio is supposed to be highly publicized. [REDACTED] is also attempting to set up a rally for Chillicothe, Ohio for the weekend of 8/11-12/73.

LEADS:

ATLANTA

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Through established sources, attempt to verify statement made by [REDACTED] to the effect that the NKKKK had merged with the UKA.

CLEVELAND

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Will contact sources for information regarding 7/22/73 initiation at Lodi, Ohio, and alert same to possibility of rally scheduled for Dayton, Ohio on 8/5/73.

CINCINNATI

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will maintain contact with sources and will follow and report initiation 8/4/73 and rally 8/5/73, if same occur.

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Airtel

EX-117

To: SACs, Cincinnati (157-245)  
Cleveland

8/8/73

From: Director, FBI (157-618)

REC-47

108-10397

(Route through for review)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
REALM OF OHIO  
FM; INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS

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ReCincinnati 7/30/73 which reported an unknown individual who owns a business in the Lodi, Ohio, area displayed and demonstrated a small electronic device which he referred to as a bug. [redacted] advised he observed that by turning on the FM radio in a car utilized for the demonstration that he could listen to what was being said into the electronic device from a distance of approximately 50 yards. The individual who was displaying the device demonstrated how he could change its use to different FM frequencies.

Cincinnati and Cleveland should be aware of and alert to the apparent violation by the unknown individual from Lodi of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 2512 (Manufacture, distribution, possession and advertising of wire or oral communication intercepting devices prohibited).

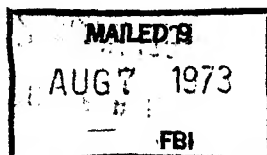
Cincinnati should promptly recontact [redacted]

Cincinnati and Cleveland should contact other sources who were present at the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) initiation during which the electronic device was demonstrated. Thoroughly

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Director Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

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Airtel to Cincinnati and Cleveland  
Re: National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)  
Realm of Ohio  
157-618

interview these sources to develop additional information concerning the individual displaying the electronic device, the purpose of the demonstration, any indications of NKKKK utilization of or plans to utilize similar devices and if it appeared [ ] had purchased or expressed intent to purchase the device.

Since the unidentified individual displaying the electronic device claimed he owned a business in the Lodi area and had been robbed the week previous to the initiation of \$1,300, a riot gun and a pistol, Cleveland should institute investigation to fully identify him, to determine extent of his involvement in white hate-type activities and if he is in violation of Section 2512. Investigation conducted by Cleveland must be handled in a fashion to protect Bureau sources.

Pertinent information developed should be set forth in form suitable for dissemination.

NOTE:

[ ] heads NKKKK, white hate organization, in State of Ohio. During past year he has intensified efforts to increase group's activities. Approximately 16 individuals were in attendance at the initiation on 7/22/73 at which the electronic device was displayed.

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Date: 8/2/73

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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-8010)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (KKK)  
EM-KLAN  
(OO:AT)

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On 8/1/73, [redacted] advised plans have been vitalized by Klavern 102 National Knights of the KKK, New York State Realm, Pine Bush, New York, to hold a clambake at 2:00 P.M. 8/12/73 at the residence of [redacted] New York State Realm. [redacted] is located in an isolated rural area off [redacted] Pine Bush, New York.

Source further advised clambake would be followed by a meeting and initiation ceremony at 8:00 P.M. in a wooded area in the rear of [redacted] property.

[redacted] stated he expects approximately 20 new members to be initiated and a total of approximately 90 persons attending the clambake and meeting. A cross is expected to be burned at the conclusion of the initial ceremony.

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- 2-Atlanta (157-60) (INFO) (RM)
- 2-Cleveland (INFO) (RM)
- 2-Columbia (INFO) (RM)
- 2-Indiana (157-175) (INFO) (RM)
- 2-Newark (157-1980) (INFO) (RM)
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Source commented [redacted]  
South Carolina Realm with three state officers and  
[redacted] New Jersey Realm with two  
state officers have advised they will attend. [redacted]  
[redacted] Ohio Realm and [redacted]  
[redacted] Indiana Realm, United Klans of America  
have also been invited but have not made any commitments.

Information copies being furnished to those  
interested offices who have subjects invited to above  
described activity.

New York will follow and submit LHM and results.



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Date: 7/13/73

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)  
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)  
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
 KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
 REALM OF OHIO  
 EM-KLAN

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Re Columbia airtel to Bureau, 7/6/73, entitled  
 "IE, KKK, REALM OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EM-KLAN".

Info copies are being forwarded to Columbia  
 and Atlanta in view of their interest in this matter.

[redacted] Ohio  
 [redacted] NKKKK, and who has furnished reliable info  
 on many occasions in the past, had been requested on several  
 occasions in the past to obtain [redacted]  
 [redacted] Source advised, however, attempts to obtain such a  
 [redacted] were negative.

On [redacted] attended a meeting at  
 Spartanburg, S.C., where he met with several other Grand  
 Dragons. The subject of mailing lists could have arisen  
 at this meeting and the info concerning the mailing list  
 of [redacted] could possibly have been learned at  
 this time.

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# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 8/16/73

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P\*)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN  
EM - KLAN

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Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, dated 7/30/73,  
and captioned "National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan,  
Realm of Ohio".

On 8/7/73 and 8/8/73, [redacted]  
advised respectively that no information has come to their  
attention indicating a merger between the UKA and NKKKK.

[redacted] sources advised that they would remain alert  
for any information indicating a merger between these  
organizations.

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- 1 - Birmingham
- 1 - Atlanta

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Date: 8/8/73

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)  
 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-8010)  
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
 EM-KLAN

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ReNY airtel and LHM 7/11/73.  
 Bu airtel 7/20/73. 1037

LHM. Attached are 8 copies of amended page 1 of re

Other offices furnished amended pages by routing slip.

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FROM ATLANTA (157-NEW) (P)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK) ANNUAL  
RALLY, STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA, 9/1/73; EM - KLAN. 00:  
ATLANTA.

SOURCE HAS ADVISED 8/21/73, THAT THE ANNUAL RALLY AND  
CROSS BURNING OF THE NKKKK WILL BE HELD ON THE PROPERTY OF  
IMPERIAL WIZARD JAMES R. VENABLE, STONE MOUNTAIN, GA.,

SATURDAY EVENING, 9/1/73. THIS RALLY IS HELD EVERY YEAR BY

VENABLE TO COMMEMORATE THE REBIRTH OF THE KLAN AT STONE MOUNTAIN

IN 1915. VENABLE HAS SENT INVITATIONS TO KLANSMEN THROUGHOUT

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cc-AAG Criminal Division

Attn: ☒ ISS

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Litigation Unit

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THE COUNTRY AND HAS ALSO SENT A PRESS RELEASE TO NEWSPAPERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. VENABLE WILL SPEAK AT THE RALLY AS WELL AS SEVERAL OTHER KLANSMEN UNKNOWN AT PRESENT TIME.

THE PROGRAM WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 PM, AND LAST APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS. BASED ON PREVIOUS YEARS EXPERIENCE, A CROWD OF APPROXIMATELY 250 PEOPLE WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE. LOCAL MEDIA COVERAGE EXPECTED.

USSS, ATLANTA, ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE: SOURCE IS

LHM TO FOLLOW RALLY.

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b7DTO DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)  
FROM SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-175)NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (KKK)  
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OO: Atlanta

Re New York airtel to Bureau, 8/2/73.

On 8/13/73, [ ] advised that [ ]  
did not receive an invitation to the clambake at the  
residence of [ ] New York State  
Realm. Source advised that [ ] did not attend, but that  
[ ] Realm of South Carolina, did attend  
the party. Source could provide no further information.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO

EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN  
(Bufile 157-24203)  
(NOfile 157- )  
(WFOfile 157-4578) (RUC)

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~~KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN~~

~~Post Office Box 1234~~

~~Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726~~

EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

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(WFOfile 157-NEW) (RUC)

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Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies; for the New Orleans Office, four copies; and for the Alexandria, Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, New York and Richmond Offices, two copies each for information of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

- ③ - Bureau (Enc. 10) ENCLOSURE  
2 - Alexandria (Enc. 2) (Info)  
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One copy of the enclosure is being furnished by WFO locally to U. S. Secret Service, Washington, D. C. (WDC).

The informant referred to in the enclosure is [redacted]  
[redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted]

For the information of the Bureau and all offices, [redacted] advised that he had a letter from [redacted] bearing "The Crusader" letterhead and a copy of the Fall, 1973 (No. 1) issue of "The Crusader," both of which identify "The Crusader" as a publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Post Office Box 1234, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726. Significantly, the August, 1973 (No. 22) issue of "Attack!", tabloid newspaper published by the National Youth Alliance (NYA), extremist white youth organization at WDC, carries an item on Page 2 entitled "Sick Pic of the Month," reportedly a reprint of an "anti-white advertisement" appearing in the current issue of "Sepia," in which interested readers are advised to reply to "Black Products, Box 1234, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726". The alleged "Sepia" advertisement offers a mail-order "complete African Atto course" to attain "Black Power" in a manual outlining a program of body building, self defense and fighting techniques for the price of \$10.00.

A Xerox copy of the "Attack!" item, "Sick Pic of the Month," is enclosed for each the Bureau and New Orleans.

According to [redacted] the "African Atto" advertisement in "Sepia" was a scheme devised by [redacted] "to make money off the niggers." [redacted] allegedly furnished the advertisement to a number of publications which cater to the black population, and received a good response. He alleged that advertising which had cost him \$800.00 returned \$1600.00 in sales. [redacted] indicated that he had put together the "African Atto" course himself, and it included everything mentioned in the advertisement. The manual on "African Atto" sold for \$10.00 per copy; however [redacted] suggested that it was worth about \$.25 per copy. Reportedly, [redacted] has stopped the advertisement at this time. The informant is convinced that there was no collusion between [redacted] of the NYA tabloid newspaper, "Attack!", with respect to the "Sick Pic of the Month" item appearing in the August, 1973 (No. 22) issue of "Attack!"

The above information was not included in the LHM, because [ ] could be identified as the source. All offices exercise care for the security of the informant in connection with investigation based upon this information or dissemination outside the Bureau.

According to [ ] had attempted to contact [ ] of the National Socialist White People's Party (NSWPP), formerly the American Nazi Party, who was last known to be residing and attending school in Richmond, Virginia, but had been unsuccessful. The informant furnished [ ] the address of [ ] Richmond.

The informant advised that [ ] had telephoned [ ] who were last known to be residing together in Silver Spring, Maryland, but [ ] reportedly advised [ ] that he and [ ] did not want to be associated with [ ] Klan venture or become involved in activities of the extreme right-wing movement. According to the informant [ ] was particularly miffed over the attitude of [ ] because he had run a free advertisement for their "White Legion Books" operation.

The above informant stated that [ ] had visited NSWPP Headquarters in Arlington, Virginia, and had seen [ ] there; however, NSWPP [ ] refused to meet with [ ] The informant said that [ ] was particularly interested in seeing former NSWPP [ ] but learned that [ ] is now on the West Coast.

[ ] further advised that [ ] had expressed interest in seeing [ ] upon their return from Europe. He also asked the informant for [ ] current address. The informant also arranged for [ ] of Springfield, Massachusetts while in New York City.



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The informant revealed that [ ] discussion with [ ] of the NYA lasted from approximately 4:30 p.m. to midnight on 8/13/73; however, the source was not aware of the substance of the conversation between them. [ ] indicated to the source that he was interested in printing up a volume of [ ] from "Attack!", and showed interested in publishing [ ] entitled "Revolutionary Notes," which appeared in "Attack!" in the past, in a single volume. It is noted that "Revolutionary Notes" purported to instruct readers on the construction and use of simple explosives and incendiary devices and the techniques of urban guerrilla warfare.

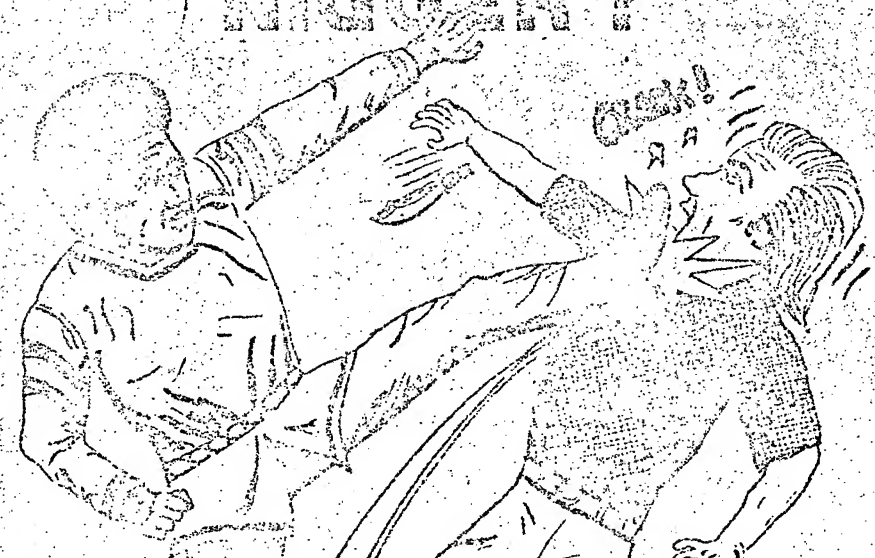
The above source advised that he had put [ ] into contact with [ ] extremist white political and racial writer living in WDC, and [ ] had met with [ ] for lunch. [ ] According to [ ] agreed to do some writing for [ ] publication.

[ ]  
a telephone number where [ ] could be contacted by [ ] while the latter is in New York City. On 8/15/73, informant advised that he had received a letter from [ ] addressed simply to [ ]. The telephone number [ ] was furnished by [ ] in this letter and also the address [ ].

[ ]  
be the best time. It was further indicated in [ ] letter that a few "trusted Mobilizers" (American Mobilizers) would be "interested in coming along," presumably to meet [ ].

# Sick Pic of the Month

## When was the last time whitey called you NIGGER?



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Do you want BLACK POWER?

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Muhammad Ali is an expert in both SELF DEFENSE and BLACK HISTORY. He has mastered the ancient African method of fighting and body building - called AFRICAN ATTO - which means AFRICAN TRACKER!

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- The best physical fitness course for Blacks in the world.
- The best BLACK SELF-DEFENSE method in the world.
- LEARN
  - How to fight "Dirty"
  - 100 secrets of fighting
  - How to use weapons in self-defense
  - How to make weapons for self-defense
  - How to fight "Whitey"

### BLACK PRODUCTS

Box 1134

DENNAM SPRINGS, LA. 70774

☐ PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETE AFRICAN ATTO COURSE. ENCLOSED IS \$9.95

☐ SEND C.O.D. ENCLOSED IS \$1.00 DEPOSIT. I WILL PAY THE POSTMAN \$9.95 AND POSTAL CHARGES.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Washington, D. C. 20535  
August 15, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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[REDACTED]  
**KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN**  
**Post Office Box 1234**  
**Danham Springs, Louisiana 70726**

A confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on August 14, 1973, that [REDACTED] an activist in the extreme right-wing movement who was formerly affiliated with the National Socialist White People's Party, currently was visiting the Washington, D. C. (WDC) area with [REDACTED]. The informant learned that [REDACTED] is editor of "The Crusader," a publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Post Office Box 1234, Danham Springs, Louisiana 70726. The source was unable to state whether the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Danham Springs, Louisiana, is affiliated with any of the major Klan organizations.

The National Socialist White People's Party (NSWPP), also known as The American Nazi Party, American Nazis, and the George Lincoln Rockwell Party, was organized on February 26, 1956, at Arlington, Virginia, based upon the concept of an international "National Socialist" movement as espoused by the German Nazi Party headed by Adolph Hitler. The organization supports and follows the line of hatred against Negroes, Jews and communists through various propaganda media seeking a legitimate dominant political party in the United States and foreign countries.

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[REDACTED]  
**KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN**

The above informant disclosed that [REDACTED] apparently was traveling about the country contacting supporters of the extreme right-wing movement in order to promote "The Crusader," which informant believed to be entirely composed and published by [REDACTED]. He learned that [REDACTED] recently visited [REDACTED] Fields of the National States Rights Party and James R. Venable of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, in Georgia, and had a meeting with [REDACTED] National Youth Alliance while in the WDC area. According to the source, [REDACTED] planned to visit New York City following their visit in WDC.

A source has described the National States Rights Party as an anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, white racist political party composed of past members of klan-type organizations and other right-wing groups.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

The National Youth Alliance (NYA) is an organization originally formed from a nucleus of Youth for (George C.) Wallace supporters following the 1968 presidential election for the purpose of countering radical leftist and anarchist influences on the campuses of American colleges and universities. NYA currently is controlled by individuals who militantly promote white racialism and anti-Zionism and who suggest violent revolution ultimately as the means for implementing their racial and political ideas in America.

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The informant mentioned above stated that [REDACTED] Klan organization intended to form the membership into dens, rather than klaverns, consisting of four, five or six individuals. According to information obtained by the source, the various den units will operate independently of the central Klan organization and will carry out extralegal activities without consultation beforehand or disclosure afterward. The informant noted the similarity between this plan and the concept of "leaderless resistance" or "phantom cells" currently circulating in the extreme right-wing movement.

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To: SACs, WFO  
New Orleans

From: Director, FBI

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ReWFOairtel and LHM, both dated 8/15/72, submitted under  
above dual caption.

In view of the information set forth in referenced airtel,  
regarding the scheme devised by [ ] to make money based on his  
advertisement in "Nepis" magazine, WFO should promptly furnish this  
information in an LHM suitable for dissemination. The LHM should be  
properly paraphrased in order to protect the informant.

It is noted that the fact that both "The Crusader,"  
described as a publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK)  
and Black Products have the same mailing address is apparently public  
source information and could be attributed to the public sources.  
The knowledge of the scheme as furnished by the informant and comments  
[ ] should be paraphrased.

For information of WFO, [ ] was arrested 6/28/72 by the  
New Orleans Police Department and charged with theft by fraud and  
misrepresentation, with the victim of the complaint being listed as  
Governor George Wallace, Montgomery, Alabama. [ ] two other white  
males and a white female were arrested on these charges because  
investigation revealed the individuals were soliciting funds for the  
Wallace Campaign Committee in several states and in numerous parishes  
in Louisiana.

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Airtel to WFO and New Orleans

Re: [redacted]

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**Knights of the Ku Klux Klan**

Information furnished by New Orleans in FD-405 dated July, 1973, for the month of June, 1973, does not indicate the existence of the KKKK, Denham Springs, Louisiana. The only Klan organizations indicated as being active by New Orleans within the state are United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), KKKK, the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), and the Original Klan of America (OKA).

New Orleans should promptly advise whether the KKKK actually exists in your territory and/or whether this might be a unit or realm affiliated with one of the other Klan organizations.

If information is available through sources indicating [redacted] is in violation of Federal statutes investigated by other U. S. Government agencies, pertinent information should be promptly furnished to such agencies and the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination.

**NOTE:**

"Sepia," a magazine published about blacks apparently contains an advertisement concerning an African Atto course which can be obtained from Black Products, Box 1234, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726. This supposedly is a mail-order course including a manual outlining a body-building program for self-defense and fighting technique. The African Atto course is sold for \$10 and, according to [redacted] the manual costs about 25 cents per copy. Informant has said [redacted] uses this scheme "to make money off the niggers."

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FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
INC., REALM OF OHIO  
EM - INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONSRe CI airtel to the Bureau, 7/30/73, and Bureau  
airtel to CI and CV, dated 8/8/73, captioned as above.This investigation is based on information which indicates  
that the NKKKK, Realm of Ohio may be engaged in activities which  
could involve a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 2512  
(Manufacture, distribution, Possession and Utilizing of  
wire or oral device prohibited).NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX  
KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)The National Knights of the Ku Klux  
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On 8/14/73, per Bureau instructions, [redacted] was reinterviewed concerning the electronic device which he referred to as a "bug" which was reported in referenced airtel of 7/30/73.

Source advised as follows:

The electronic device was approximately three inches in length by one inch in width, was gun metal gray in color. The top portion of the device was chrome colored with a microphone top. Protruding from the bottom of the device was a three foot wire. The wire did not appear to be attached to anything but the device. There was a screw on the side of the device which the source was told changed the frequencies.

The source advised that approximately seven or eight people observed the use of this electronic device. The individual in possession of the device went with another individual about 30 feet from the automobile owned by [redacted] car was equipped with an FM radio. The individual in possession of the electronic device had it in his pants pocket.

He and the other individual were speaking and their speech could be heard over the FM radio in [redacted] car.

The individual in possession of the device later told the source that he could adjust the device to three different frequencies and that an FM radio from channel 95 and up could be utilized to ~~hear~~ what was said. The individual told the source that he could listen to people up to one block away and indicated he paid \$80 for the electronic device.

The source indicated that previous to this demonstration he was told by others that the device had been placed under a piece of paper inside the home of [redacted] and that others listened outside through the FM radio. This was a distance of approximately 20 - 30 yards. One individual, name unknown, stated that the owner of the device had bought it to bug his wife. Source did not know whether this individual was joking or not.

Source advised that the purpose of the demonstration was unknown to him, but he surmised that it was no more than a "show-off" technique. Source advised that he heard of no plans mentioned to utilize this electronic device by other members of the Klan.

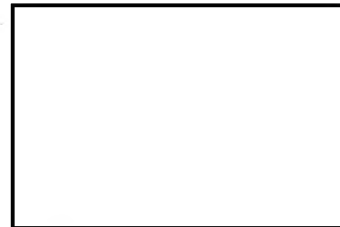
Source also stated that it did not appear that [ ] wanted the device, and that [ ] did not mention any intention of purchasing it. Source advised that during the demonstration he observed outside, [ ] was not present. Source did not have any knowledge if [ ] knew the device was on his property.

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Source described the unknown individual in possession of the electronic device as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	41
Height:	6'2"
Weight:	210 pounds
Hair:	Black, curly, not long.
Dress:	Sporty attire very neat
Marital status:	Married
Characteristics:	No noticeable tattoos or scars. No noticeable accent.

Involvement with the NKKKK:



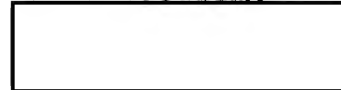
The unknown individual stated he was [ ]

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the week previous to the occasion mentioned above.

Source described the wife of the above individual as follows:

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Race:	White
Sex:	Female
Height:	5'5"
Weight:	105 pounds
Age:	23 - 25 years of age
Hair:	Long black
Characteristics:	Good looking,



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Will maintain contact with source for any further information he might develop.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

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FROM: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-175)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF  
THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
EM - KLAN

Re Indianapolis airtel dated 7/26/73 captioned [redacted]

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies of LHM captioned "NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN RALLY, DAYTON, OHIO, 8/5/73". Three copies of LHM enclosed for Cincinnati.

LHM is being datelined Cincinnati, Ohio, to conceal identity of Indianapolis source.

Indianapolis not making local dissemination to U. S. Secret Service, but is furnishing an additional copy of LHM to Cincinnati for such purposes.

Source utilized in LHM is [redacted]

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Cincinnati, Ohio

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Member of Subject Organization

On August 13, 1973, a confidential source who has provided reliable information in the past advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held a rally at a community center known as the Wampler Ballroom, 1001 Shilo, Dayton, Ohio. Source advised that there were approximately six individuals present wearing robes and that about 35-40 persons assembled. Source advised that this number included a number of curious onlookers and noted that the meeting was covered by local television news personnel. These newsmen interviewed Ohio NKKKK [redacted] announced that he was a candidate for the office of Governor of Ohio. Klan-type merchandise was sold at the rally and in addition to [redacted] speakers included the Ohio NKKKK Kludd (Chaplain) who spoke on the Bible and a speech was also made by the Indiana Grand Dragon on White Christian America.

Source advised that there was no discussion of violence at this meeting and [redacted] was very disappointed in the turnout and the way the meeting went.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

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SAC, New York (157-8010)

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Reurlet 8/28/73.

The Bureau concurs with your procedure of orally advising [redacted] State of New York, Department of Correctional Services, regarding employees of that department who are members of the NKKKK at Pine Bush, New York, pursuant to his request.

You should continue to closely follow the recruiting activities of the NKKKK, particularly when it involves correctional officers. Continue to identify all members of the Pine Bush Klavern conducting preliminary investigations to determine whether they possess a propensity for violence and hence establishing whether a full investigation is warranted in accordance with Section 122 of the Manual of Instructions. Since correctional officers may be considered within the purview of law enforcement, their identities and adequate descriptions should be furnished the Bureau for indexing purposes. In each instance, comment whether appropriate state officials have been advised of their activity.

Section 122 also limits the information which can be furnished to the interested agency and requires advising the agency that the information cannot be utilized by it for any hearing purposes since the Bureau cannot produce witnesses to testify. This has been complied with and you should insure that you continue to do so, particularly since the dissemination is to be done orally.

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Letter to New York  
Re: National Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)  
157-168

Membership by correctional officers in the Klan is a very undesirable situation in view of their need to dispatch their duties without the prejudice preached by the Klan. It is recognized that the leader of the Klan at Pine Bush is a correctional officer and this explains how other correctional officers have become involved. Without jeopardizing source's position in the Klan, he should attempt to subtly discourage further recruitment of correctional officers.

NOTE:

New York advised that liaison has been established with an official of the State of New York Department of Correctional Services regarding the Klan membership of six correctional officers. This official desires to be kept advised of these officers' activities and any additional personnel who join, but, to protect the confidentiality of the information within his department, desires that it be done orally. New York advised that this request would be honored. Section 122, Manual of Instructions, sets out a procedure for advising a law enforcement agency of the extremist activity of its members by letter. Since oral rather than written communication has been requested by the involved agency and such will accomplish the same end, this procedure is being permitted. Section 122 sets specific limits as to confidentiality of information furnished to the agency and its not being the basis for any administrative hearing by the agency. New York letter indicates ~~it is~~ cognizant of these limitations and has advised the agency as to these restrictions. Section 122, Manual of Instructions, requires initiating investigation of individual members of extremist organizations who have demonstrated propensity for violence and such a determination necessitates a preliminary inquiry to determine same before a full investigation is conducted.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-8010) (P\*)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
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As the Bureau is aware, Klavern 102, Pine Bush, New York, of captioned organization, has been relatively active during the past year and there are presently 25 subjects affiliated in some capacity with this group.

New York, through development and operation of [redacted] has learned that six correctional officers, [redacted] assigned to the Eastern New York Correctional Facility (ENYCF), Napanoch, New York, are members of Klavern 102. In addition, [redacted] Wallkill, New York, has been identified as a klan member.

The Bureau is cognizant of the activities of [redacted] As previously reported, New York has orally advised appropriate officials of the New York State Department of Correction of the identity of these subjects and their klan affiliation.

The agent assigned this matter has been in regular contact with [redacted]

for many years and can be contacted in strict confidence.

Since learning of activities of [redacted] personnel being involved in klan activity and is desirous of information of this nature for intelligence purposes. [redacted]

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[redacted] has stated receipt of intelligence information identifying correctional personnel who are klan members will help to insure the continued and unhampered operation of correctional facilities where these individuals are employed. He related no disciplinary action is contemplated against those individuals identified unless they participate in criminal activity promoted by the klan.

New York will orally advise [redacted] of additional correctional personnel identified as klan members, [redacted]. It is noted that during the initial stages of the investigation of Klavern 102, inquiries were made regarding [redacted] at the correctional facility where they were assigned. [redacted] has commented he conducted limited and discreet inquiry with appropriate officials at these facilities and learned of [redacted].

[redacted]

[redacted] has been advised that any action taken by his department against correctional personnel identified as klan members must be based on information obtained through independent investigation and not on information confidentially furnished by the FBI. He has further been informed that the FBI is unable to furnish witnesses to testify in any hearing.

New York will comply with the request of [redacted] to be orally advised of the activities of correctional personnel identified as klan members. It is felt this type of dissemination complies in spirit with guidelines set forth in the Manual of Instructions regarding dissemination of information involving law enforcement officers in extremist activity. There appears to be some question as to whether a correction officer is in the true sense a law enforcement officer.

The above is being furnished to apprise the Bureau of action being taken in this matter by New York.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-618)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
REALM OF OHIO  
EM - KLANALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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captioned as above.Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of  
an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of an FD-376  
are stapled to this LHM.Enclosed for Cleveland are three copies and  
for Indianapolis two copies of the same LHM.A copy of instant LHM is being disseminated  
locally to the U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio.The confidential source utilized in the LHM  
is [redacted]

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176 Special Agent in Charge

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the NKKKK is engaged in activity which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 245 (b) (3), Chapter 102, 2101 - 2102, and Chapter 12, 231 - 233 (Anti-Riot Laws) or 241 (Civil Rights Act of 1968).

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(NKKKK)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Cincinnati, Ohio  
August 17, 1973

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
REALM OF OHIO

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))\_1  
U. S. Secret Service , Cincinnati, Ohio

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
REALM OF OHIO

On August 14, 1973, a confidential source, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised that there was a closed meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Ohio, held at the home of [redacted] Fayetteville, Ohio, on August 4, 1973.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK), was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

The express purpose of this meeting was to initiate one new member and to make plans for an NKKKK rally to be held the next day, August 5, 1973, at the Hara Arena in Dayton, Ohio. Noted in attendance at this meeting were the following:

[redacted]

Lodi, Ohio

[redacted]

Loveland, Ohio

[redacted]

Loveland, Ohio

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Loveland, Ohio

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REALM OF OHIO

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Columbus, Ohio

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Loveland, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Fayetteville, Ohio

*Member of Subject Organization*

There were approximately four other unknown individuals in attendance. There was no initiation this evening because the new member failed to show for the meeting. During this meeting, [REDACTED] Supra, stated that the rally in Dayton the next day would make or break the Klan. He advised it was important to have a large turnout because he had rented the Hara Arena in Dayton for \$500 plus the fact that radio, T. V. and newspapers had all been alerted to the rally and he did not want any bad publicity.

The same source advised that on August 5, 1973, the NKKKK held the rally at the Hara Arena, Dayton, Ohio. Attendance at the rally was very poor. Not more than 40 individuals were noted in attendance.

The following individuals were seen in attendance at the rally:

[REDACTED]  
Loveland, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Columbus, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Indiana

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[REDACTED]  
Akron, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Loveland, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Loveland, Ohio

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
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[redacted]  
Fayetteville, Ohio

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Fayetteville, Ohio

[redacted]  
Loveland, Ohio

[redacted]  
Lodi, Ohio

Many of those in attendance wore Klan robes. Speakers at this rally included [redacted] NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, [redacted] from Indiana, [redacted] Akron, Ohio, and [redacted] Akron, Ohio. The latter two individuals are reputed to be [redacted] for the NKKKK.

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[redacted] of the State of Ohio, in the next election and spent his time talking about current problems such as drugs, crime and the fact that the centralized Government is presently too distant from the people.

[redacted] was more volatile in his speech and accused Negroes of being "inferior beings". [redacted] urged the white race to stand up and be noticed because the Negroes were trying to take over the country. Both [redacted] spoke along the same lines as [redacted]

The source advised he was of the opinion that [redacted] was very unhappy over the attendance figures. The source stated that Hara's Arena was equipped to seat around 1,000 individuals, and that since no more than 40 individuals attended the rally, it was a comical blow to the NKKKK as a whole and [redacted] in particular.

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Cincinnati, Ohio  
August 17, 1973

Title            NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
                  REALM OF OHIO

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Reference      Memorandum at Cincinnati, Ohio,  
                  dated and captioned as above.

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TO DIRECTOR (ATTN. INTD)

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FROM ATLANTA (157-60)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

ANNUAL RALLY, STONE MOUNTAIN, GA., 9/1/73. 00: AT. 157-168-1050

SOURCES ADVISED 9/2/73 CAPTIONED RALLY TOOK PLACE AS SCHEDULED  
 SATURDAY EVENING 9/1/73 AT STONE MOUNTAIN, GA. APPROXIMATELY 500  
 PEOPLE ATTENDED, 80 OF WHICH WORE KLAN ROBES. THREE CROSSES WERE  
 BURNED (1 LARGE AND 2 SMALL) WHILE THE 80 KLANSMEN CIRCLED IT. ALSO  
 BURNT WAS AN EFFIGY WHILE SEVERAL KLANSMEN SHOUTED " BURN NIGGER BURN".

PRINCIPAL SPEECH WAS GIVEN BY NKKKK IMPERIAL WIZARD, JAMES  
 R. VENABLE WHO STATED THE KLAN'S PURPOSE IS TO GUARD THE FLAG,  
 THE CONSTITUTION AND THE WHITE RACE. VENABLE CALLED FOR THE SENDING  
 OF NEGROES BACK TO AFRICA.

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[REDACTED] OF THE (NKKKK) OF OHIO ALSO SPOKE  
AND ANNOUNCED HIS CANDIDACY FOR THE OHIO GOVERNORSHIP.

[REDACTED] OF SOUTH CAROLINA, ALSO SPOKE  
AT THE RALLY AND WAS WELL RECEIVED BY THOSE IN ATTENDANCE.

A BREAK IN THE SPEECHES CAME WHEN A YOUNG COUPLE WEARING KLAN  
ROBES MOUNTED THE SPEAKERS PLATFORM AND WERE MARRIED IN A BRIEF  
CEREMONY.

RALLY LASTED APPROXIMATELY TWO AND ONE HALF HOURS ENDING AT  
ELEVEN PM. THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE.

EXTENSIVE NEWS MEDIA COVERAGE AFFORDED THIS RALLY.

ADMINISTRATIVE: RE AT TEL TO BUREAU, 8/23/73. SOURCES UTILIZED ARE

[REDACTED] LHM FOLLOWS.

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To: SAC, Cleveland

8/27/73

From: Director, FBI

*National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan*

UNSUB; Male From Lodi, Ohio,  
Who Demonstrated Electronic Device  
During Meeting of National Knights  
of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)  
EM - KLAN; INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS

1 - [REDACTED]  
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1 - [REDACTED]

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ReBuairtel 8/8/73, and Clairtel 8/15/73 captioned "National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., Realm of Ohio; EM - Interception of Communications," copies of which were furnished Cleveland.

In referenced Bureau airtel Cleveland was instructed to institute investigation to fully identify subject of instant investigation, to determine extent of his involvement in white-hate-type activities and to determine if he is in violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 2312 (Manufacture, distribution, possession and advertising of wire or oral communication intercepting devices prohibited).

In referenced Cincinnati airtel detailed data secured from [REDACTED] was reported regarding subject's demonstration of an electronic device at National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) meeting on 7/22/73.

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1 - 157-618 (NKKKK, Realm of Ohio)

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Airtel to Cleveland

Re: UNSUB; Male From Lodi, Ohio,  
Who Demonstrated Electronic Device  
During Meeting of National Knights  
of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK)

Cincinnati and Cleveland must remain alert to determine if NKKKK in Ohio secures or utilizes above electronic device.

Cleveland should aggressively pursue this matter to determine if subject is in violation of Section 2512.

Pertinent information developed, including that set forth in referenced Cincinnati airtel, should be set forth in form suitable for dissemination under subject's true name.

NOTE:

Although electronic device was demonstrated at 7/22/73 NKKKK meeting, [ ] reported there was no indication that organization's leader was aware of the demonstration or that the group was interested in purchasing or utilizing such device.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-618)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
REALM OF OHIO  
EM - INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS  
CVfile: 157-5031 (P)[REDACTED]  
EM - NKKKK; IOC  
CVfile: 157-5871 (C)  
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Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau captioned "NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, EM - KLAN" dated 7-30-73, and Bureau airtel to Cincinnati and Cleveland captioned "NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK) REALM OF OHIO, EM - INTERCEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS" dated 8-8-73.

This investigation is based on information that [REDACTED] activities may be in violation of 18, USC, 241 (Conspiracy to Deprive a Citizen of Rights or Privileges Secured by the Constitution of the Laws of the United States). [REDACTED] is an admitted member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). The NKKKK has engaged in activities designed to deny certain classes of citizens their rights or privileges secured by the Constitution or the laws of the United States.

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- 2 - Cincinnati (157-245)
- 3 - Cleveland

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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1cc to CV by 07 action. Submit report per instructions in par C.1. of sect 113. MofI. New invest was requested by USA. Furnish cc report to USA.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX  
KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

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The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia, in 1963 as a "Patriotic, secret social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

This investigation is further based on information which indicates that [redacted] and the NKKKK Realm of Ohio, may be in violation of Title 18, USC, Section 2512, (Manufacture, Distribution, Possession and Utilizing of Wire or Oral Device Prohibited).

On July 23, 1973, [redacted] advised that a NKKKK rally was recently held at the home of [redacted] Lodi, Ohio, on [redacted] At that meeting an unidentified individual demonstrated a device which he referred to as a "bug." [redacted] described the unknown individual as 6'2" tall, 230 pounds, black hair, and 41 years of age. Source advised that the individual owns a business [redacted]  
[redacted]

The above description met that of [redacted] known in Cleveland files as a long-time NKKKK supporter and a subject of a closed [redacted]

On 8-17-73, a check of Crime Records, Cleveland Police Department, revealed that complainant, [redacted] [redacted] Cleveland, Ohio, reported a burglary [redacted] Cleveland, Ohio, on 6-26-73. The complaint revealed that [redacted]  
[redacted] was missing.

On August 17, 1973, AUSA [redacted] Cleveland, Ohio, was advised of the above facts and that there is a strong possibility that [redacted] may be in possession

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of "bugging" equipment.. AUSA POTTS requested that [ ] be interviewed and if he has any "bugging" equipment in his possession, it should be immediately confiscated.

On August 20, 1973, [ ] Cleveland, Ohio, was contacted by Bureau Agents to ascertain if [ ] had any type of bugging equipment in his possession. [ ] was advised of the identities of the Agents, was advised of the reason for interview, and was advised of his Constitutional Rights as set forth in an "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" form, stated he understood his rights, and subsequently signed said form. [ ] advised that he had not committed any crime and he would gladly furnish any information to the FBI.

[ ] advised that he presently owns a wireless microphone, which he described as approximately three inches in length, one inch in width, with a black wire hanging from the bottom. He advised that by setting the microphone on one FM frequency, and by setting the FM radio in his auto on the identical frequency, the radio becomes a receiver. [ ] advised that the wireless microphone is not illegal and can be purchased at most electronic stores.

[ ] denied ever "bugging" anyone. He admitted though that on several occasions he had demonstrated how the device could be used as a "bugging" device. [ ] explained that he is a member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). He said that he demonstrated the device to [ ] of Ohio, and other NKKKK members. He said he did this in an attempt to make the others think he is a "big" man. That is, to gain, the confidence of other Klan members and to gain entry into secret Klan meetings.

[ ] advised that [ ] expressed no interest in purchasing such devices, nor has he any intentions to ever use such devices to intercept communications.

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[ ] advised that he would make the wireless microphone available to the FBI upon request.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	[ ]
Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	[ ]
Place of Birth	Cleveland, Ohio
Height	6'
Weight	210 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium dark
Scars	[ ]
Employed	[ ]
	Lakewood, Ohio
Address	[ ]
Telephone	[ ]

On August 22, 1973, AUSA POTTS, NDO, Cleveland, Ohio, was advised of the results of current investigation. AUSA POTTS advised that it appears there is no Federal violation and that [ ] should be allowed to retain his microphone, but he should be cautioned not to use the device to intercept communications.

On same date [ ] was advised to be circumspect in his use of such devices, and was cautioned not to "bug" anyone. [ ] apologized for his actions and stated that he has no intentions to violate the law.

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Inasmuch as [ ] has been fully identified, is not an officer of the NKKKK, interviewed and has been cooperative in the past, no LHM is being submitted and no further investigation is being conducted by the Cleveland Office.

[ ] is not being recommended for ADEX since he does not pose a realistic or direct threat to National security.

[ ] source potential continues to be evaluated by the Cleveland Division.

Special Agents [ ]  
[ ] interviewed [ ] on 8-20-73.

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Date: 8/22/73

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-8010) (P\*)  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
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CC TO: WACC (Army)
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BY: EMB/SSL

Re NY airtel to the Bureau, 8/2/73.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM, captioned and dated as above, regarding activities of Klavern 104, Pine Bush, New York, on 8/1/73.

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- 2- Columbia (RM)
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(KLAVERN 102, PINE BUSH, NY) (46)  
(KLAVERN 103, BROOKLYN, NY)

Appropriate copies of the LHM based on its contents are enclosed for indicated offices.

Attached are two copies of an FD-376 for transmittal to Secret Service, Washington, D.C.

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A copy of the LHM is being disseminated to  
Secret Service, New York City.

Source utilized in the LHM is

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☐ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1) (RM)  
U. S. Secret Service, New York, New York (RM)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

August 22, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to

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National Knights of  
the Ku Klux Klan

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On August 13, 1973, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows concerning the activities of Klavern 102, New York Realm, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), Pine Bush, New York, on August 12, 1972 at the residence of [redacted] Burlingham Road, Pine Bush, New York.

The NKKKK were granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various klans in the southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

Approximately 65 persons attended a clambake sponsored by Klavern 102 at 1:00 PM with the following klan members present:

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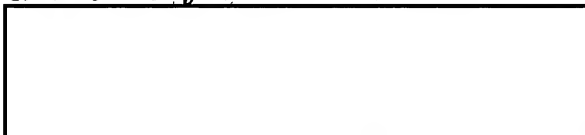
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South Carolina Realm - NKKKK

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New York Realm - NKKKK

Klavern 103 B, Brooklyn, New York

Klavern 102, Pine Bush, New York



Local klavern members, visiting klansmen, their families and guests were served food and refreshments and utilized a swimming pool located behind  house.



National Knights of  
the Ku Klux Klan

Around 3:00 PM, [ ] addressed the gathering stating he was proud to be a member of the great white Christian American order, the NKKKK. He stated the NKKKK is the only order that is for white Christian Americans while blacks and Jews have communist backing.

[ ] then directed his remarks towards the history of the klan talking for approximately 20 minutes before turning the platform over to [ ]

[ ] commented he was proud to be a klansman and was very happy to be invited to a gathering of northern white Christian Americans. He related the klan order is only as strong as its membership and that solid growth even in small numbers is the way to a successful klavern. He spoke on the growth of the NKKKK during the past ten years concluding his remarks around 4:00 PM.

[ ] thanked [ ] for being so kind as to travel over 1200 miles to speak to a small gathering of concerned people.

Comments promoting or advocacy violence were not in the remarks made by [ ]

[ ] accompanied by his four state klan officers left the area at 4:15 PM to return to South Carolina.

[ ] announced to the gathering a Klavern 102 meeting would be held that evening at 8:00 PM at that location with all new members welcome.

At 7:00 PM, [ ]  
[ ] went into the woods behind [ ] house to prepare for the Klavern 102 meeting.



National Knights of  
the Ku Klux Klan

Accordingly, a Klavern 102 meeting convened  
at 8:00 PM with the following members present and Klavern  
positions filled:

MEMBER OF SUSPECT ORGANIZATION

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[redacted]	Exalted Cyclops
[redacted]	Klaliff
[redacted]	Klokard
[redacted]	73 50 Kludd
[redacted]	Kligrapp
[redacted]	Klad
[redacted]	Klarogo
[redacted]	Klexter
[redacted]	Night Hawk

The following were also present during this  
meeting:

[redacted]

National Knights of  
the Ku Klux Klan

A NKKKK naturalization ceremony was held with  
the following persons being initiated into the group:

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION


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The initiation ceremony ended at 9:30 PM with  
the burning of the cross by [REDACTED]  
then directed this group to his house to greet the new  
klavern members in the light.

At 9:45 PM, [REDACTED] assisted by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] acting as Senators of the Council,  
held a Third Degree Ceremony which involved the following  
klansmen:


The above ceremony ended around 10:20 PM.

National Knights of  
the Ku Klux Klan

The following persons previously submitted applications for NKKKK, but failed to attend the initiation meeting:

*Not to be used by Klavern 102*

[Redacted]
Ellenville, New York

Klavern 102 activities ended at 11:15 PM at which time [Redacted] thanked those who attended and announced the next Klavern 102 meeting would be held on September 22, 1973 at his residence.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York  
August 22, 1973

Title                      National Knights of the  
                                 Ku Klux Klan

Character                Extremist Matters - Klan

Reference                is made to memorandum of  
Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above,  
at New York.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTENTION: INTD

DATE: 9/24/73

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P\*)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)  
ANNUAL RALLY  
STONE MOUNTAIN, GA.  
9/1/73  
EM - NKKKK

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8-30-88 SP-2 JAB

Re Atlanta teletypes to Bureau, 9/2/73 and  
8/22/73. <sup>1050</sup>

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and  
seven copies of LHM, prepared at Atlanta, dated and captioned  
as above.

Enclosed are 2 copies of above mentioned LHM  
for each receiving office having an investigative interest  
in the Klan or persons in attendance at the rally. This LHM  
may be reproduced by these offices at their discretion.

One copy of this LHM is being disseminated to  
U. S. Secret Service, Atlanta.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Atlanta, Georgia  
September 24, 1973

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(NKKKK)  
ANNUAL RALLY  
STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA  
SEPTEMBER 1, 1973  
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This investigation is based on information which indicates that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of U. S. Code, Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens); Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968; or related Civil Rights statutes.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

Klan organizations claim as their aims the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. They are primarily anti-black and anti-Semitic.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities, including beatings, bombings, and murders and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their Constitutional rights.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(NKKKK)  
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Sources [ ] of the Atlanta Office advised as follows on September 2, 1973:

The annual rally of the NKKKK was held on Saturday evening, September 1, 1973, on the property of NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable at the foot of Stone Mountain, Georgia. Between 550 and 600 people, many of them young and curiosity seekers, were in attendance at the rally. The rally was opened with a prayer by [ ]

After the opening prayer, James R. Venable got up and gave the principal speech. Venable said that the Klan stood by the American flag and was in the forefront of its defense. Venable called on all those present "to keep the blood lines pure" and urged the deportation of Negroes back to Africa. Venable stated he would be criticized for such a suggestion but he felt it was the only way to prevent the mongrelization of the white race.

After Venable finished his speech, a young couple wearing Klan robes later identified in the Sunday edition of the Atlanta Journal and Constitution, a daily paper published in Atlanta, Georgia, as [ ] of Duncan, South Carolina, and [ ] of Greenwood, South Carolina, mounted the speaker's platform and were married in a brief ceremony. This was, according to Klan leaders, the first wedding ever performed at the annual rally.

At about 9:00 p.m., while the Battle Hymn of the Republic played, a large 30 foot cross and two smaller 6 foot crosses were burnt. Approximately 80 robed Klansmen, including 15 women, circled the crosses as they burnt.

At the same time the crosses were being burnt, an effigy of a Negro was burned while several Klansmen shouted "burn Nigger burn". The Klansmen were later identified as being from South Carolina, and the incident so enraged Venable that he angrily told [ ] of the South Carolina Klan delegation, that if he could not control his people, not to bring them any more.

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(NKKKK)

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After the cross burning, speeches were made by Georgia NKKKK [redacted] several others. All gave speeches urging separation of the races in a strong united Klan.

The rally ended at 11:00 p.m. There were no incidences of violence even though the entire proceedings were observed by a crowd of between 50 and 60 Negroes who lived in a housing development adjacent to the rally site.

[redacted], a breakfast meeting was held [redacted] at Venable's residence. Again nothing was decided on [redacted] except to meet again in three months on Ohio. Ohio [redacted] will host this meeting.

Member of Subject Organization





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Atlanta, Georgia  
September 24, 1973

Title                      NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU  
                             KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)  
                             ANNUAL RALLY, STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA  
                             SEPTEMBER 1, 1973

Character

Reference                Memorandum, prepared at  
                             Atlanta, dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

DIRECTOR, FBI

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EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN  
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(Bufile 157-24203)  
(NO file 157-13457)  
(WFO file 157-4578) (RUC)

*NATIONAL*  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
Post Office Box 1234  
Denham Springs, Louisiana 707026  
EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN  
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(NO file 157- )  
(WFO file 157-6010) (RUC)

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Re WFO airtel and LHM dated 8/15/73, and Bureau airtel dated 8/24/73, (no copies to Atlanta or Memphis).

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies; for the New Orleans Office, three copies; and for Atlanta and Memphis, two copies each for information, of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

One copy of the enclosure is being disseminated by WFO locally to United States Secret Service.

[REDACTED] confidential informant mentioned in the enclosure is [REDACTED] furnished information to SA [REDACTED] on the dates indicated. The information from [REDACTED] connection with the "African Atto" advertisement in "Sepia" Magazine was originally received on 8/14/73.

- Enclosure  
③ - Bureau (Enc.9)  
2 - Atlanta (Enc.2) (Info)  
2 - Memphis (Enc.2) (Info)  
3 - New Orleans (Enc.3)  
4 - WFO

(1 - 157-2278) (NYA):

(1 - [REDACTED])

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[redacted] of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Nashville, Tennessee, is not identifiable in WFO files on the basis of information available at this time.

The information in the LHM regarding [redacted] being provided the mailing list of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, Stone Mountain, Georgia, by JAMES VENABLE emanated from Dr. EDWARD R. FIELDS, National Secretary of the National States Rights Party, white racist political party with headquarters at Marietta, Georgia, according to [redacted]

For the information of the Bureau and all offices, [redacted] advised on 8/14/73, he is convinced that there was no collusion between [redacted] with respect to the "Sick Pic of the Month" item appearing in the August, 1973 (No. 22) [redacted]

[redacted] The source learned that [redacted] frequently reviews publications with a predominantly black readership for items which could be used in "Attack!" and selected the "African Atto" advertisement in "Sepia" by coincidence.

[redacted] advised on 8/20/73, that [redacted] had returned to Washington, D. C. on that date following a brief visit to New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts, where he contacted a number of NYA activists. [redacted]

[redacted] to write for him in Louisiana; however, neither was interested in working for the other. [redacted]

HEREIN. APPROPRIATE CARE SHOULD BE EXERCISED FOR THE SECURITY OF THE INFORMANT IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION OR DISSEMINATION BASED UPON THIS INFORMATION.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Washington, D. C. 20535  
September 12, 1973

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[REDACTED]  
**KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
POST OFFICE BOX 1234,  
DENHAM SPRINGS, LOUISIANA 70726**

On August 14, 1973, a confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that [REDACTED] an activist in the extreme right-wing movement who was formerly affiliated with the National Socialist White People's Party and the National Party, currently is editor of "The Crusader", a publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Post Office Box 1234, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726.

The National Party has been described by its [REDACTED] as a separate right-wing political organization, open to the public. The party opposes violence, believes in the Constitution of the United States, white supremacy, and separation of the races. Aims of the National Party are to be obtained through elected officials. The National Party has replaced the White Youth Alliance with many former White Youth Alliance members joining the National Party.

The White Youth Alliance has been publicly announced to be the youth group of the National Socialist White People's Party.

The National Socialist White People's Party, also known as the American Nazi Party, American Nazis, and the George Lincoln Rockwell Party, was organized on February 26, 1956, at Arlington, Virginia, based upon the concept of an international "National Socialist" movement as espoused by the German Nazi Party headed by Adolph Hitler. The organization supports and follows the line of hatred against Negroes, Jews and communists through various propaganda media seeking a legitimate dominant political party in the United States and foreign countries.

Attachments: 1

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Enclosure

[redacted]

The source mentioned above learned on August 20, 1973, that [redacted] had been commissioned by [redacted] of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Nashville, Tennessee, to publish "The Crusader" and that [redacted] reportedly had furnished [redacted] his mailing list of some 1500 names. The source also learned that James Venable of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, Stone Mountain, Georgia, had provided [redacted] his mailing list of some 2000 names, in order that [redacted] could solicit subscriptions to "The Crusader".

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

On August 22, 1973, [redacted] confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past, provided a copy of the August, 1973, (Number 22) issue, of "Attack!", the tabloid newspaper published by the National Youth Alliance, Washington, D. C. On page two of this publication is an item captioned "Sick Pic of the Month", which shows an "anti-white advertisement" allegedly printed in the "current" issue of "Sepia" Magazine. This advertisement offers readers a manual of instruction for achieving "Black Power", utilizing techniques of "African Atto", for the price of \$10.00. "Sepia" readers are invited to respond to "Black Products, Box 1234, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726" for the "complete African Atto course".

The National Youth Alliance (NYA) is an organization originally formed from a nucleus of Youth For (George C.) Wallace supporters following the 1968 presidential election for the purpose of countering radical leftist and anarchist influences on the campuses of American colleges and universities. NYA currently is controlled by individuals who militantly promote white racialism and anti-Zionism and who suggest violent revolution ultimately as the means for implementing their racial and political ideas in America.

[REDACTED]

"Sepia" is a publication of Sepia Publishing Company, 1220 Harding Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102. Its articles, pictures and advertisements appear to be directed at the black population, and it is maintained in the "Black Studies Section" of the public library in Washington, D. C. The August, 1973, issue of "Sepia" carries the "African Atto" advertisement described above.

[REDACTED] confidential informant referred to above advised on August 30, 1973, that the "African Atto" advertisement described above was placed in "Sepia" Magazine by [REDACTED] as a scheme to make money from blacks. Reportedly, the manual of instruction on "African Atto" techniques was put together by [REDACTED] and is virtually worthless. According to the informant, [REDACTED] gross sales considerably exceeded his advertising costs and complaints were negligible. The informant believes that [REDACTED] has stopped the advertisement in "Sepia" at this time.

Attached is a reproduction of the "African Atto" advertisement appearing in "Sepia", as reprinted in the WYA tabloid newspaper, "Attack!"

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

# SICK F\*CK of the Month

When was the last time  
whiskey called you  
BIGGER?



## AFRICAN ATTO WILL SHOW YOU THE WAY TO BLACK POWER!

Do you want BLACK POWER?

AFRICAN ATTO will turn your Body into BLACK STEEL and show you how to use your new strength with the most powerful self-defense program known: AFRICAN ATTO.

AFRICA was the birthplace of man, and the birthplace of Hand-to-Hand COMBAT! Not China or Japan, AFRICA produced the best BODY BUILDING PROGRAM in the history of the world - and the most deadly FIGHTING METHODS. White history has denied you this fact.

Mr. Muhammad Ali is an expert in both SELF-DEFENSE and BLACK HISTORY. He resurrected the ancient African method of fighting and bodybuilding - called AFRICAN ATTO - which means AFRICAN ATTACK!

Deeper than Karate, more powerful than boxing, AFRICAN ATTO is the most terrific way of fighting ever known.

### BLACK POWER

#### FEAR NO MAN, BLACK OR WHITE.

AFRICAN ATTO will mold your body into a weapon more powerful than a gun.

AFRICAN ATTO is the only Self-Defense method developed strictly for Blacks.

AFRICAN ATTO requires very little practice or strenuous exercise. It uses simple normal body movements. You receive its power when you learn its secrets.

### BLACK POWER = SEX POWER

Do you want to be the kind of man a real woman respects and wants?

AFRICAN ATTO will change your physical Body into Black steel and then show you how to use it as BLACK POWER!

AFRICAN ATTO will give your body power that translates to sex appeal! You will attract women, loving, beautiful women.

### A GOOD PAIR OF PANTS?

How much is Your Body Worth?

For a very limited time the cost of the entire AFRICAN ATTO COURSE is only \$9.95. That's less than the cost of a good pair of pants. Is your body worth that?

## WHAT YOU GET

- BIG AFRICAN ATTO manual featuring over 100 illustrations and drawings.
- Easy to follow instructions on how to lose or gain weight the African way.
- The best physical fitness course for Blacks in the world.
- The best BLACK SELF-DEFENSE method in the world.
- How to fight "Dirty".
- 100 secrets of fighting.
- How to use weapons in self-defense.
- How to make weapons for self-defense.
- How to fight "Whitey".

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BLACK PRODUCTS

BOX 1234

DEERFIELD SPRINGS, FL. 32015

☐ PLEASE RUSH ME THE COMPLETE AFRICAN ATTO COURSE. ENCLOSED IS \$9.95.

☐ SEND C.O.D. ENCLOSED IS \$1.00 DEPOSIT. I WILL PAY THE POSTMAN \$9.95 AND POSTAL CHARGES.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE PRINT)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

THIS ANTI-WHITE ADVERTISEMENT appears in the current issue of SEPIA, the Black man's answer to LIFE. All ads for SEPIA are handled by Nathan Katz Associates, 7214 Bergenline Ave., North Bergen, N.J. Is there any doubt about what Mr. Katz is?

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1:45PM K URGENT 9/28/73 BJE

TO DIRECTOR (457-618)  
CLEVELAND (157-5031)

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FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) (P) 1P

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO,  
EM - KLAN.

ON 9/28/73, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE WAS TOLD BY LOCAL  
KLAN LEADER THAT THERE WILL BE A RALLY SATURDAY NIGHT AT 8:00 P.M.  
9/29/73, IN <sup>WEST</sup>ALEXANDRIA, OHIO (<sup>PREBLE</sup>LICKING COUNTY) **STREC 47** **157-168-1054**

SOURCE STATED THAT HE PLANNED TO ATTEND, AND WOULD CONTACT  
THE FBI SHOULD HE DEVELOP ANY FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS EVENT. **OCT 5 1973**

CINCINNATI, WILL ALERT LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN LICKING COUNTY  
AND FOLLOW WITH SOURCE.

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10:04 PM

NITEL 9/28/73 WSN

TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

CLEVELAND (157-5031)

FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) (P) (1P)

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DATE 8-29-88 BY SP8 JY/pt

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO,  
EM - KLAN.

RE CINCINNATI TEL TODAY.

LOCATION OF RALLY MENTIONED IN RETEL SHOULD BE CORRECTED TO WEST  
ALEXANDRIA, OHIO (PREBLE COUNTY) AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES AWARE OF SAME.

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Date: 10/3/73

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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

From: SAC, COLUMBIA (157-141)  
(P)☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION  
GENERAL INVEST. DIV.  
☒ INTELLIGENCE DIVISIONSubject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF  
OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(Rally, Greenwood, S. C.,  
10/6/73)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP84☐ CR ☐ EL ☐ DIH ☐ CRA-64  
☐ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF ☐ E  
☐ EID ☐ Bomb Threats ☒ Extremist Matters - KLAN  
☐ White Hate ☐ Black

## Summary of Complaint:

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM  
concerning captioned matter. Enclosed for Atlanta are two (2)  
copies of LHM.

Source referred to in LHM is Columbia source

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 8) **ENCLOSURE**  
2 - Atlanta (157-60) (Enc. 2)  
4 - Columbia  
(2 - 157-141)  
(1 - 157-6131) (IE)  
(1 - 175-1)

AGENCY: A \_\_\_\_\_, SEC. SERV., \_\_\_\_\_

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HOW FORW: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE FORW: \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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ACTION: UACB:

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- ☐
- No further action being taken and
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- LHM enclosed
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- Copy furnished to USA
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- FD-376 (enclosure to LHM)
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- ☐
- LHM being submitted
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- Report being submitted
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- Preliminary investigation instituted
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- Limited investigation instituted

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Local authorities being advised by SA   
Secret Service, Columbia, S. C., furnished copy of LHM.



In Reply, Please Refer to  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Columbia, South Carolina  
October 3, 1973

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
INCORPORATED  
(RALLY, GREENWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA,  
OCTOBER 6, 1973)

On October 3, 1973, a source of the Columbia Division of the FBI, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised a rally is planned by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, at Greenwood, South Carolina, on Saturday, October 6, 1973. One of the purposes of the rally is to install [redacted] Laurens, South Carolina, as [redacted] National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, for the State of South Carolina.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated (NKKKK), was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963, as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

Expected to be present at the rally are NKKKK dignitaries to include James Venable, Imperial Wizard, Stone Mountain, Georgia, and Grand Dragons of the States of Georgia and Alabama.

The source further advised that [redacted] [redacted] for the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of South Carolina (IE), reportedly made a local telephone call to [redacted] advising when [redacted]

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
INCORPORATED  
(RALLY, GREENWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA,  
OCTOBER 6, 1973)

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is on the platform at Greenwood, South Carolina, on Saturday, October 6, 1973, he will be carried off that platform and taken away in a car.

The Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of South Carolina, was organized in June of 1970, as an independent Klan organization in South Carolina, and is not affiliated with any Klan group outside of South Carolina. The primary aims and objectives of this group are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of this organization, and its mailing address is Post Office Box 4451, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Sheriff [REDACTED]  
South Carolina Highway Patrol, and Lieutenant [REDACTED] South  
Carolina Law Enforcement Division have been advised.

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Date: 10/4/73

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b7DTransmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via **AIRTEL** \_\_\_\_\_

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-618)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC (NKKKK)  
OHIO CHAPTER -  
KLAN WEDDING AND CROSS BURNING  
HELD OHIO STATE ROUTE 503,  
LEWISBURG, OHIO (PREBLE COUNTY)  
9/29/73  
EM - KLAN  
(OO: AF)

Re CI teletypes to Bureau, 9/28/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM, pertaining to captioned matter. Two copies of this LHM are furnished to Atlanta; also one copy furnished to Birmingham, Cleveland and Detroit, for information.

Two copies of an FD 376 are stapled to this LHM.

One copy of this LHM is being furnished to the U.S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The confidential source is [redacted]

The Bureau's attention is directed to the fact that [redacted] mentioned in LHM, is subject of Cincinnati file 157-5386, and to date, extensive background investigation has been conducted concerning him. Informant advised [redacted]

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 8) ENCLOSURE
- 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2)
- 1 - Birmingham (Enc. 1) (Info.)
- 1 - Cleveland (Enc. 1) (Info.)
- 1 - Detroit (Enc. 1) (Info.)
- 1 - Cincinnati
- (2 - 157-245) (1 - 157-5386)
- (1 - [redacted])

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Special Agent in Charge

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2cc. CD - W-SS / WFO  
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1cc - SS (FD-376) re #710-11-73  
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holds no official Klan title, leadership position or status and any actions committed by him are independent on his part and not considered important.

In view of these facts, Cincinnati will conduct no further investigation of ROSS, UACB.

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 241 (Conspiracy against rights of citizens); Section 245 (Federally protected activities), Civil Rights Act of 1968; or related Civil Rights Statutes.

Klan organizations claim as their aims the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. They are primarily antiblack and anti-Semitic.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535  
October 4, 1973

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF  
THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)  
OHIO CHAPTER -  
KLAN WEDDING AND CROSS BURNING  
HELD OHIO STATE ROUTE 503,  
RE: LEWISBURG, OHIO (PREBLE COUNTY)  
SEPTEMBER 29, 1973

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (Enc. 1)  
U. S. Secret Service , Cincinnati, Ohio

Enclosure(s)





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio  
October 4, 1973

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF  
THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)  
OHIO CHAPTER -  
KLAN WEDDING AND CROSS BURNING  
HELD OHIO STATE ROUTE 503,  
LEWISBURG, OHIO (PREBLE COUNTY)  
SEPTEMBER 29, 1973

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

157-168-1057

ENCLOSURE

RE: NKKKK, INC., OHIO CHAPTER -  
KLAN WEDDING AND CROSS BURNING  
LEWISBURG, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 29, 1973, ETC.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
OF OHIO, INC., (NKKKK)

On October 8, 1964, [redacted] Secretary of State's Office, Columbus, State of Ohio, advised public records from this office indicate a charter was granted the NKKKK of Ohio on October 5, 1964, by the State of Ohio. The charter was filed under Certificate Number 10194, and the Corporation Number is 334111.

The purpose of the corporation is to operate as a realm organization within the State of Ohio and in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia. Second, to promote patriotism toward the civil government, honorable peace among men and nations, love among ourselves, liberty, justice and patriotic association for the mutual benefit of all mankind.

On October 23, 1964, [redacted] State House, Secretary of State's Office, State of Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.'s charter granted October 5, 1964, was revoked October 22, 1964, for the official reason that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan organization was on the U.S. Attorney General's subversive list. [redacted] said the actual purpose for revocation of the charter was not because the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is on the U.S. Attorney General's subversive list, but because it was felt the existence of a state granted charter would encourage the Klan to make the claim it was "state sanctioned" and, therefore, entirely legitimate.

In actuality, the Ku Klux Klan and not the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been designated by the U.S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On May 6, 1969, a confidential source of the Cincinnati FBI Office advised that the above Klan organization is practically non-existent in the southern area of Ohio. This source pointed out that [redacted] still holds his title as [redacted] however, this title currently is in name only since [redacted] has almost completely discontinued his association with the NKKKK.

RE: NKKKK, INC., OHIO CHAPTER -  
KLAN WEDDING AND CROSS BURNING  
LEWISBURG, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 29, 1973, ETC.

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On October 1, 1973, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, provided the following pertinent information pertaining to captioned event:

During the night of September 29, 1973, captioned event took place along Ohio Route 503, approximately one mile south of Lewisburg, Ohio. The main purpose for the above was to obtain publicity in Ohio for the NKKKK, and specifically to elaborate notoriety in the news media announcing that two individuals would be married under auspices of a Klan wedding. The two individuals who were married are identified as [redacted] about 43 years of age, who resides in a suburb of Columbus, Ohio, near Lockbourne Air Force Base, and who is employed as [redacted] [redacted] age 37, who resides in Columbus, specific address unknown, and who is employed as a [redacted]. Approximately 100 individuals were in attendance, which group consisted of Klan members, employees of the news media and curious onlookers. The ceremony took place on a farm near Lewisburg, Ohio, owner of the farm unknown. Naturally the wedding was the highlight of the Klan affairs.

A 20 foot tall wooden cross, soaked with kerosine was burned which could be sighted within one mile. [redacted] a reported minister from the Detroit, Michigan area, and who was formerly affiliated with the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), acted in capacity of chaplain and officiated in the wedding service.

Above source explained that [redacted] is identical to the [redacted] who was convicted within the past year in Federal Court in Michigan and charged [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

district. At the present time, [redacted] is awaiting sentencing for this conviction by the presiding Federal Judge.

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.

The United Klans of America, Inc., was chartered in 1961 in Georgia. Its aims and purposes are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. It is the dominant Klan group in the South with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is currently active in several states.

RE: NKKKK, INC., OHIO CHAPTER -  
KLAN WEDDING AND CROSS BURNING  
LEWISBURG, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 29, 1973, ETC.

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA (UKA)  
SOUTHWESTERN OHIO AREA

On May 29, 1973, a source advised that the United Klans of America, Inc., (UKA) is active in the southwestern Ohio area and has no permanent headquarters. It is completely operated under authority of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] for the UKA in Ohio.

This group is affiliated with the parent organization, which has its national headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Individuals recognized in attendance were identified as [REDACTED] of Lodi, Ohio, who currently holds title as [REDACTED] of the Ohio Chapter of the NKKKK. Acting as Bridesmaid for the bride was [REDACTED] reportedly from Cleveland, Ohio. Of the approximate 100 persons in attendance, it is believed 30 to 40 were Klansmen with a number of them attired in their Klan robes and masks.

[REDACTED] formerly a member of the UKA, and who is employed by the [REDACTED] Dayton, Ohio, and who resides in the West Alexander, Ohio area, was also present and took credit for setting up the above event. Both [REDACTED] made statements to the effect that the Klan has changed. People used to think of them as vigilantic groups and night leaders, but actually they only believe in white brotherhood and not white supremacy.

No unusual incidents of any type took place during the above captioned event.

Jan M. Spitler, Sheriff, Preble County, Ohio, was alerted to this scheduled event on September 28, 1973.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220RE: 

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))  
U. S. Secret Service

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# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/11/73

FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-808)(C)

SUBJECT:

EM - KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 ujf/5at

Re Jacksonville letter to Bureau, 7/29/64;  
captioned TROPUS, BUfile 62-109119; Indianapolis airtel,  
3/27/73; Atlanta airtel, 4/13/73; and New York airtel,  
7/10/73, all captioned National Knights of the Ku Klux  
Klan, BUfile 157-168.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies  
of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Attached to the LHM are two copies of FD-376.  
Copy of this LHM furnished to Secret Service, Jacksonville.

Sources are as follows:

Identity

Location

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Nothing has been received reflecting subject  
having any propensity for violence; therefore, he is not  
being recommended for ADEX. REC-36 157-168-1058

He is not being interviewed because of his  
 being feared that if he were  
approached by Buagents he might be excited which might  
 In addition, he is not  
believed to possess any potential as a source. 12 OCT 15 1973

UACB, this case is being closed at Jacksonville  
subject to being reopened should  become known  
to advocate violence.

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This investigation is based on information which indicates that the individual is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens); 5245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968, or related Civil Rights Statutes.

This individual was reported by Source [redacted] on March 26, 1973, to be a leader of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Klan organizations claim as their aims, the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. They are primarily antiblack and anti-Semitic.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

[redacted] was reported by Source [redacted] as being present at a meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) on March 24-25, 1973, at Stone Mountain, Georgia, where he was identified as living at [redacted] Jacksonville, Florida, and described as a [redacted]

The NKKKK was granted a charter in Georgia, in 1963, as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] was reported by Source [redacted] as attending a meeting of the NKKKK at Spartanburg, South Carolina, on June 23-24, 1973, where he was identified as being [redacted] of the Bedford Forrest Ku Klux Klan (BFKKK) in Florida.

Source [redacted] advised on March 25, 1973, that [redacted] was identified as being with the NKKKK realm of Florida at the meeting on March 25-26, 1973, at Stone Mountain, Georgia.

The above sources advised that the above meetings are concerned with establishing one large klan organization from all the small klan groups in the United States.

On August 30, 1973, an interview with [redacted] Jacksonville, Florida, who also attended the above affairs and who was described as affiliated with the NKKKK, as well as being listed as the [redacted] of the BFKKK, according to Source [redacted] above, disclosed that [redacted] is "living on borrowed time" in view of his poor health due to [redacted] and his [redacted] drives [redacted] to various functions stating that [redacted] of the independent BFKKK which is inactive and has only two members, those being [redacted] was appointed [redacted] of the BFKKK [redacted] who has appointed [redacted] of the BFKKK. They hold no meetings and have been unsuccessful in trying to get members for either the NKKKK or BFKKK, according to [redacted] [redacted] stated there was no violence in the BFKKK nor was [redacted] a violent individual since he cannot get excited because of his poor health and as long as [redacted] has known [redacted] which has been for about three or four years, he has never heard [redacted] make any comment advocating violence.

Source [redacted] who is well acquainted with klan and extremist activities in Jacksonville, Florida, has advised during 1973 that [redacted] was active in the past in the BFKKK but that organization has been defunct for several years. [redacted] and in the many years that source has known [redacted] he has never advocated violence.

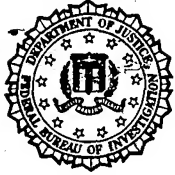


[REDACTED]

This source also advised that BFKKK exists only in the mind of [REDACTED] who has declared himself [REDACTED] of the BFKKK. [REDACTED] is not taken seriously by persons who know him in Jacksonville. Source [REDACTED] also advised that during the recent rally of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan (UFKKK) at Samsula, Florida, [REDACTED] passed out literature seeking recruits for the NKKKK and the BFKKK but the UFKKK members only laughed at them. According to this source, during September, 1973, the UFKKK at Jacksonville received a request for funds from [REDACTED] in which they indicated they needed help to launch the NKKKK and the BFKKK but the UFKKK membership refused to have anything to do with them and sent them nothing.

The UFKKK was organized in June, 1961, as a result of the consolidation of two other klan groups. Its objectives are to oppose integration and to fight communism.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

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DATE: 11/6/73

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN INC.,  
REALM OF OHIO  
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Re Cleveland LHM to the Bureau, 6/4/73. u

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above. Two (2) copies of this same LHM are being forwarded to the United States Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio. Two (2) copies of an FD-376 are also being submitted. u

Two (2) informational copies are being sent to Atlanta and Cincinnati, in view of their interest in this matter. u

The sources utilized in the enclosed LHM are as follows:

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Through source coverage, the Cleveland Division will continue to follow the activities of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Realm of Ohio (NKKKK) in the State of Ohio. U

This investigation was based on information which indicated that the NKKKK Realm of Ohio is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federal Aid Protected Act), Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes. U

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Klan members and leaders have been involved in beatings, bombings, and murders and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their Constitutional Rights. U

Cleveland will continue investigation of this matter and report results of same. U

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Cleveland, Ohio

November 6, 1973

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
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DATE 4-20-79 BY SP-2 TAP/dph.  
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I. RALLIES AND MEETINGS INVOLVING THE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF  
THE KU KLUX KLAN, REALM OF OHIO

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku  
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anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic  
and anti-foreign born.

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On June 1, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ]  
[ ] NKKKK Realm of Ohio, advised that he  
had made tentative arrangements for a June 30, 1973 NKKKK  
rally on a farm outside of Dayton, Ohio. Source stated that  
he had no information relative to the name or address of  
the farm outside Dayton.

On June 12, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ]  
[ ] stated that he had been to a Klan rally at Gamber,  
Maryland recently and that it was a "big flop." Source  
stated that [ ] gave a short speech at this rally and left  
before the rally had terminated. Source also stated that  
[ ] made no mention of any upcoming rally at Dayton, Ohio  
on June 30, 1973.

On June 27, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK  
held a National Board Meeting on the afternoon of June 23, 1973  
in Spartanburg, South Carolina at Heritage Enterprises,  
Incorporated, which is [ ]  
[ ] NKKKK, South Carolina. Source stated that [ ]

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[redacted] of Ohio was in attendance at this function. Source added that there was a rift during this meeting between [redacted] and JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK and [redacted] was the mediator of this dispute. The dispute came from [redacted] loss of his units to the NKKKK, and [redacted] and VENABLE both gave [redacted] \$50 each for his state Klan operation [redacted]

On June 27, 1973, [redacted] also advised that [redacted] from the NKKKK, Realm of Ohio was in attendance at a special rally and cross burning at Spartanburg, South Carolina on June 23, 1973.

On June 27, 1973, [redacted] also advised that a representative from the State of Ohio, who is a member of the pilot committee for the NKKKK met with JAMES VENABLE and other pilot committee members at Spartanburg, South Carolina on [redacted]

On July 2, 1973, [redacted] and on July 7, 1973, [redacted] both advised that [redacted] NKKKK Realm of Ohio attended the [redacted] meeting held at Spartanburg, South Carolina on [redacted]

On July 3, 1973, [redacted] stated that [redacted] advised that there was no Klan rally held at Dayton, Ohio for the weekend of June 30, 1973.

On July 23, 1973, [redacted] advised that an initiation ceremony was held at the home of [redacted] in Lodi, Ohio on Sunday, July 22, 1973. Source stated that in attendance were 16 individuals of which four were newly initiated into the NKKKK. [redacted] advised at this meeting that he was in South Carolina over the past weekend. He said that the NKKKK is joining forces with the UKA. [redacted] also indicated that he would be going back to South Carolina possibly during the next week. [redacted] also mentioned plans for another initiation ceremony to be held at the home of [redacted] from the Loveland, Ohio area on August 4, 1973. [redacted] also mentioned that the NKKKK would have a rally at Dayton, Ohio on August 5, 1973 which would be highly publicized. [redacted]

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also mentioned attempting to set up a rally for Chillicothe, Ohio for the weekend, August 11-12, 1973.

On August 1, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK, New York State Realm was planning to hold a clam-bake at Pine Bush, New York at 2:00 p.m. on August 12, 1973. Source advised that [ ] from Ohio had been invited to attend this function, but has not made any commitments on whether he would attend.

On August 6, 1973, JIM BARNETT, Chief of Police, Lodi, Ohio advised that in the past he has noted several cars at the [ ] but added that this occurrence does not happen on a regular basis with any set time or date. [ ] was again contacted on September 4, 1973, and stated that in the past month there has been no abnormal vehicle activity outside the [ ] residence.

On August 14, 1973, [ ] advised that a closed meeting of the NKKKK Realm of Ohio was held at the home of [ ] in Fayetteville, Ohio on August 4, 1973. Source stated that the purpose of this meeting was to initiate a new member and to make plans for the rally to be held the next day, August 5, 1973 at the Hara Arena in Dayton, Ohio. Source stated that several people were in attendance at this meeting, most from the Southern part of Ohio. Source added that there was no initiation at this meeting because the new member failed to show up. [ ] mentioned on this date that the rally in Dayton the next day would make or break the Klan in Ohio. He advised that it was important to have a large turnout because he had rented the Hara Arena in Dayton for \$500, plus the fact that radio, T.V. and newspapers had been alerted to the rally, and he did not want any bad publicity.

On August 15, 1973, [ ] advised that on August 5, 1973, the NKKKK rally was held at the Hara Arena, Dayton,

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Ohio. Source stated that in attendance was LARRY PORE and not more than 40 individuals were in attendance. In his speech, [ ] announced that he would run for Governor of the State of Ohio in the next election and spent his time talking about current problems facing the country. Source added that he was of the opinion that [ ] was very upset over the attendance this date, since only 40 individuals attended the arena, which holds about 1,000.

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area, who officiated at the wedding service.

II. MISCELLANEOUS NKKKK INFORMATION

On June 12, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] was having problems with [ ] and other Klan members in the Cleveland, Ohio area. Source stated that [ ] had recently kicked six Cleveland Klan members out of the Klan for an unknown reason. Source also mentioned this date that [ ] stated he was taking his family on a vacation to Canada.

On July 3, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] known Klansman from the Cleveland, Ohio area have been kicked out of the Klan, [ ] Source stated that [ ] termed them as "trouble makers" who did not appreciate the way he was running the Klan.

On July 6, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] mentioned holding a state board meeting soon to hold a new election for [ ] NKKKK, Realm of Ohio. Source stated that [ ] expects to be elected as [ ] again, and is doing this as a show of confidence in himself to those who had recently complained about his handling of the Klan.

On July 23, 1973, [ ] stated that [ ] still plans on having [ ] in Ohio, but has taken no action. Source also stated that [ ] mentioned that he is seriously thinking of running for Governor of Ohio, during the next election. AKA. [ ]

On August 15, 1973, [ ] known Klansman in the Akron, Ohio area was interviewed, and he advised that he told [ ] recently to look for a new "Youth Leader" for the Ohio Klan [ ]

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On August 20, 1973, [ ] was again interviewed and he stated that [ ] told him that the rally at Dayton, Ohio on August 5, 1973 was a huge success. [ ] told him that over 600 people were in attendance and that he had made \$1,000 from the rally.

On October 9, 1973, [ ] was again interviewed, and at this time he advised that [ ] had recently told him that he was in the process of printing a leaflet concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Ohio. [ ] advised further that [ ] told him that one of his campaign items for the upcoming election was that he was going to put the FBI out of commission once he became Governor. [ ] stated that as far as he knows [ ] has not yet filed for the Office of Governor, but plans to do so in the near future.

[ ] advised that [ ] has given [ ] of the NKKKK in the Cleveland, Ohio area, three months to shape up the Klan in that area. [ ] stated that [ ] wants to attract more members from the Cleveland area.

[ ] also stated that [ ] told him that he had recently been in the State of Texas, where he appeared on a T.V. talk show there.

The following article concerning the NKKKK Realm of Ohio appeared in the "Dayton Daily News", Dayton, Ohio on August 6, 1973:

RE:

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REALM OF OHIO

## Plenty of Seats, Few Sheets

By DAVID LYON  
Daily News Staff Writer

Suppose they held a Ku Klux Klan rally and nobody came.

It just about happened here Sunday. Dale Reusch of Lodi, Ohio, state grand dragon for the National Knights of the KKK, had rented Wampler's Ballarena for his first Dayton-area rally.

Wampler's set out 984 seats for the occasion, but there were no more than 30 persons in the hall during speeches by Reusch, Indiana grand dragon William Chaney and two Klan chaplains.

REUSCH, WHO plans to run for governor next year in the Democratic primary, said the United States is living on borrowed time. Government is becoming more centralized and more distant from the people, crime and drug problems are increasing, and large corporations and foreign interests are becoming more influential.

"I give us three years," he said. "I'm here to try to awaken the people to save their country."

He indicated he will return to Dayton, perhaps in the fall.

He called for stiffer drug laws, "removing the handcuffs" from police, a strong stand against communism, a ceiling on political campaign expenditures, opposition to regional government and tougher immigration laws.

A NEWSMAN asked Reusch how he could hope to be elected governor, considering the Klan's image as an anti-black, anti-Catholic, anti-Jewish organization.

"The Klan is not anti-black, anti-Catholic, or

anti-anything," Reusch responded. "We are pro-Christian Americanism. Today's Klan is looking for pure Americans to protect the interests of this nation."

Reusch's theme of moderation was lost on subsequent speakers. Chaney set the public address system humming with energetic defense of white supremacy. Klan Kludds (chaplain) Marvin Miller of Columbus and Joseph Rozma did likewise.

"This is a white man's country, and I feel it's time we reclaimed our own," Chaney declared. "It's time we stand up and fight for law and order."

Chaney called blacks "an inferior being, the lowest form of humanity," and Miller implied that the biblical "beasts of the field" was a reference to blacks.

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The following article appeared in "The Journal Herald," Dayton, Ohio on August 6, 1973:

## KKK chief plans bid for governor

Dale Reusch is a 34-year-old auto worker who'd like to make John J. Gilligan a one-term governor.

Reusch, who said he just missed being elected Medina County sheriff last year, tried to drum up support yesterday during a Dayton rally of his chief followers, the Ku Klux Klan.

Reusch, the Klan's Ohio grand dragon for five years, plans to run in next year's Democratic primary if he can get the backing. The fact that the incumbent governor is a Democrat doesn't bother him.

"Gilligan is going to be a one-term governor, anyway, because he's disliked by the working people," Reusch said. "He's brought more taxes than any other governor, even Jimmy Rhodes."

Reusch says he'll also fight Cleveland businessman Howard Metzenbaum's Senate bid, as he did in 1970, because the millionaire doesn't hire union employees, despite his claims of concern for unions.

The head Klansman has worked at the Ford plant in

Brook Park, a Cleveland suburb, for 16 years and has run unsuccessfully for union office. He lives in Lodi, about 35 miles south of Cleveland, where he used to have a farm.

Reusch says he wants to be governor to help clean up government at both the state and national levels. He says his platform will include opposition to gun controls and big central government and support for strong narcotics laws.

State officials "have got to realize they represent the working people, not just high corporations," he said.

Reusch was hoping yesterday to increase Klan membership as well as promote his own candidacy.

But the turnout disappointed him and he blamed "poor publicity by the news media."

He estimated 150 to 200 persons showed up at Wampler's Ballarena during the four-hour rally. Only about 25 were still there near the end.

So Reusch plans another Dayton area rally in the fall, that one out in the countryside.

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Cleveland, Ohio

November 6, 1973

Title  
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN  
REALM OF OHIO

Character

Reference Memorandum dated and captioned as  
above at Cleveland, Ohio

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed  
in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Cleveland, Ohio

November 6, 1973

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN  
REALM OF OHIO

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Clarence M. Kelley".  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2)  
U. S. Secret Service Cleveland (By Hand)

Enclosure(s)

Routing Slip  
FD-4 (Rev. 12-22-69)

To: ☒ Director

Date: 11/12/73

Att.: \_\_\_\_\_ FILE

157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS

☐ SAC \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ ASAC \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Supv. \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ SE \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ IC \_\_\_\_\_

OF THE KU KLUX

KLAN, REALM OF

OHIO

RE: Cleveland LHM to the  
Bureau 11/6/73.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 BTJ/fat

☐ Steno \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign Reassign \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ For information

☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

☐ Search and return

☐ See me

☐ Serial # \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Recharge

☐ Send to \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Submit new charge out

☐ Submit report by \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Type

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of amended page 4, line one, words 8 and 9 of referenced LHM, which should be "very poor" instead of LARRY PORE.

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Office CLEVELAND

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Airtel

To: SAC, New Orleans (157-15438)

11/1/78

From: Director, FBI (157-34303)

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RE - KKK

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 WJF/et

Rebairtel 8/24/78 and Rebairtel 10/20/78.

Your request for authority to interview subject at this time is being held in abeyance until you submit an up-to-date summary report concerning his activities.

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A news item in the "Washington Star-News" 10/12/78 describes subject as a Ku Klux Klan leader and indicates he "is coming to the defense of" [redacted] According to the article, subject stated "This punishes victim of Government illegality and crime must be defended." He stated he planned to start a defense fund for [redacted]

In view of information indicating subject may be assisting in defense of [redacted] it may not be propitious to interview him at this time, unless you have specific information indicating what you expect to gain from the interview and information which would indicate he would be cooperative during such interview.

Upon submission of a current summary report regarding subject, you should resubmit your request to interview him if you believe such interview would be productive. In that event, specifically indicate what you expect to gain from the interview and the compelling reason for conducting such interview. In view of subject's occupation and current attendance at law school, investigation of him should not be conducted on any campus except through established sources.

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

DUPLICATE YELLOW

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Airtel to New Orleans

Re: [REDACTED]

NY 100-100000

In addition to the above, referenced Bureau airtel 2/24/73 set forth data concerning subject's affiliation with the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK). New Orleans FD-400 dated 10/2/73 does not indicate the existence of the KKK within your territory at this time. Information concerning the KKK should be promptly, separately furnished under that case caption in accordance with instructions set forth in referenced Bureau airtel 2/24/73.

NOTE:

Subject, [REDACTED] is currently a law school student at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He has been associated with numerous white extremist organizations in the past and is presently [REDACTED] KKK in Louisiana. New Orleans requested authority to interview him stating he had been cooperative during interviews in the past. In view of his recent statements concerning defense of [REDACTED] we should know his current activities and what New Orleans expects to gain from such interview. [REDACTED] has been charged in connection with the possession of firearms and incendiary devices based on his arrest by New Orleans Police Department when he was apparently planning to assassinate the leader of the Anti-Defamation League in New Orleans. [REDACTED] was tried twice in 1964 on local charges in Mississippi in connection with the 1963 assassination of Medgar Evers. Both trials resulted in hung juries.

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Date: 11/2/73

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority)

To: Director, FBI ATTENTION:

From: SAC, COLUMBIA (157-141SF1) ☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION  
GENERAL INVEST. DIV.  
Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE ☒ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION  
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.(Rally scheduled to be held,  
Florence, S.C., 11/3&4/73)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP-1 JTB/LL☐ CR ☐ EL ☐ DIH ☐ CRA-64  
☐ EID ☐ Bomb Threats ☒ Extremist Matters ☐ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF ☐ E  
☐ White Hate ☐ Black

## Summary of Complaint:

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM  
concerning captioned matter.Source mentioned in LHM is 

Local authorities, Florence, S.C., being advised.

Copies of LHM being furnished to 109th MIG and  
Secret Service, Columbia, S.C., and NISO, Charleston, S.C.2 - Bureau (Enc. 8)  
6 - Columbia (2 - 157-141SF1) (1 - 157- ) (Florence County R/S)  
WEA/nhf (8) (1 - ) (1 - 175-1)  
(1 - 66-10SF2)

ACTION: UACB: EX-104

☐ No further action being taken and  
☒ LHM enclosed ☐ Copy furnished to USA NOV 6 1973  
☐ FD-376 (enclosure to LHM)  
☐ LHM being submitted  
☐ Report being submitted  
☒ Preliminary investigation instituted  
☒ Limited investigation instituted

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Approved: *[Signature]*

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Per \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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b7DAGENCY: *[illegible]*, SEC. SERV.,  
DEPT 21ST, CRD, *[illegible]*HOW FORM: *[illegible]*  
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BY: *[illegible]*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Columbia, South Carolina

November 2, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(Rally scheduled to be held, Florence,  
South Carolina, November 3 and 4, 1973)

On November 1, 1973, a source of the Columbia Division of the FBI, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised a rally was planned by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK) at Florence, South Carolina, on Saturday and Sunday, November 3 and 4, 1973. The starting time for the rally on Saturday will be 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday 2:00 p.m. The rally will be held on Highway 301 and 52, five miles south of Florence, South Carolina.

[redacted] of the NKKKK in South Carolina, had indicated that klansmen of any organization are welcome at NKKKK rallies and can wear their robes if they like.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern States, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 [signature]

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ENCLOSURE

157-168-1060

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-618)  
(Attn: INTD)

DATE: 11/8/73

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)  
EM - KLAN  
OO: ATLANTA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP-8 JF/ab

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Re Atlanta teletype to the Bureau, 10/3/73,  
captioned

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and  
seven copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Enclosed for Columbia are two copies of the  
above LHM, one of which is to be disseminated to the  
U. S. Secret Service, Columbia, S. C.

The LHM is written to reflect it was prepared  
at Columbia, S. C., to further conceal the identity of  
the Atlanta source.

It is noted that Columbia may reproduce this  
LHM as needed.

Source utilized is

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2-Atlanta  
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AGENCY: ~~DOJ, FBI, SEC. SERV., INS~~  
DEPT: ~~215~~ CRD, ~~400~~, ~~80~~  
HOW FORW: E/S  
DATE FORW: NOV 19 1973  
BY: EDS/PLK

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Columbia, South Carolina

November 8, 1973

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8/afk

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN RALLY  
OCTOBER 9, 1973

Source advised as follows on October 8, 1973:

A rally and cross burning, sponsored by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, (NKKKK), State of South Carolina, was held on the evening of October 6, 1973 across from the county fairground in Greenwood, South Carolina.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK), was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in Southern States continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

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Approximately 100 people attended the rally.  
20 to 25 of them wearing Klan robes. [redacted]

[redacted] gave a short speech in which he urged those in attendance to form a strong Klan unit in South Carolina.

Other speakers were [redacted] newly appointed [redacted] of the NKKKK in South Carolina, and [redacted] newly appointed [redacted] of the NKKKK for that state.

There were no incidents of violence and eight new members were signed up for NKKKK.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
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Legal Coun.	_____
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Director Sec'y	_____

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10:10PM NITEL 11/12/73 JWU

TO DIRECTOR ATTN: INTD

CINCINNATI

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FROM ATLANTA 157-60

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 4-23-79 BY SP-2 TAP/qlh.  
8-30-88 SP8 uy. per

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN. EM - KLAN.

ON 11/9/73, SOURCE STATED THAT THE NEXT [REDACTED] MEETING

OF THE NKKKK WOULD BE HELD IN A HOLIDAY INN IN EITHER CLEVELAND OR

DAYTON, OHIO, 12/2/73. SOURCE STATED MEETING WOULD BE HELD

IN CITY WHERE [REDACTED] LIVED. SOURCE

BELIEVES THAT [REDACTED] WILL MAKE HIS MOVE AT THIS MEETING TO

BECOME [REDACTED] OF THE NKKKK. THE PRESENT IMPERIAL

WIZARD OF THE ORGANIZATION, JAMES VENABLE, ANTICIPATING SUCH

A MOVE, WILL NOT ATTEND THIS [REDACTED] MEETING. VENABLE IS ANGRY

WITH [REDACTED] BECAUSE [REDACTED] USED VENABLE'S TELEPHONE COMPANY

CREDIT CARD AND CHARGED OVER \$108 IN LONG DISTANCE CALLS ON IT.

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SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF SOUTH CAROLINA, [REDACTED] AND MANY OF  
HIS FOLLOWERS ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY DISENCHANTED WITH  
HIM AND JOINING THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED NKKKK IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

FORMER [REDACTED] VOLUNTARILY FURNISHED THE ABOVE  
INFORMATION ON 11/9/73.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: NOV 28 1973

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-9517) (C)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 ujf/fab

SUBJECT:

EM - KLAN

157-168-1063  
ReBulet to NY, dated 9/11/73, captioned, "National  
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), EM."

[redacted] has previously identified the above  
captioned individual as a member of Klavern 102 of the  
NKKKK. [redacted]

On 11/16/73, [redacted]

Albany, NY, furnished the following background information  
regarding the subject to SA [redacted]

Name:

Race:

White

Sex:

Male

DOB:

Height:

5'11"

Weight:

242 lbs.

Scars and Marks:

Address:

Marital Status:

Married

SSAN:

Military:

Employment:

- ② - Bureau (RM)  
1 - New York

WAB:kjp  
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NY 157-9517

No criminal record could be located for the above named individual in the files of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office which covers Spring Glen, NY. These records were checked by SA [redacted] on 11/19/73.

The indices of the NYO contained no identifiable subversive reference to the subject.

Subject's activities to date indicate no propensity for violence and it is not thought that further investigation is warranted. His activities are being closely followed by the above source who is well acquainted with the subject.

The above is being furnished to the Bureau for indexing purposes per instructions in reBulet.

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NITEL 11/30/73 WSN

TO DIRECTOR (157-168)  
CLEVELAND (157-5031)  
ATLANTA (157-60)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP-10/10/88

FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) (P) (2P)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

TODAY, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] LEADER OF STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY-WORKER STUDENT ALLIANCE (SDS-WSA), COLUMBUS, OHIO, IS ATTEMPTING TO GAIN SUPPORT OF SDS AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN THE COLUMBUS, OHIO AREA TO SPONSOR A PROTEST AGAINST THE RALLY OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, WHICH IS TAKING PLACE HOLIDAY INN, STRINGTOWN ROAD, GROVE CITY, OHIO, 12/1, NEXT. THE SOURCE ADVISED PROTEST WILL BE IN FORM OF PICKETING AND LEAFLETING RALLY AT THAT LOCATION, PROPOSED PICKETING TO TAKE PLACE APPROXIMATELY 6:30 TO 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M., 12/1/73. SOURCE COULD FURNISH NO INFORMATION CONCERNING ESTIMATED EXTENT OF PARTICIPATION BY SDS AND ADVISED PROTEST IS VERY TENABLE AT THIS TIME.

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to: [REDACTED]

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TODAY, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE, COLUMBUS, OHIO PD, VERIFIED RALLY OF KU KLUX KLAN SCHEDULED 12/1, NEXT, AT GROVE CITY, OHIO. [REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] OF KLAN, FROM LODI, OHIO, IS APPARENTLY SPONSORING RALLY AND HAS INVITED IMPERIAL WIZARD JAMES R. VENABLE AND GRAND DRAGONS FROM TEN STATES TO PARTICIPATE IN RALLY. [REDACTED] COULD FURNISH NO ESTIMATE OF ATTENDANCE AT RALLY.

ADMINISTRATIVE: CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

RE CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU, 11/26/73, CAPTIONED "NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO"; ATLANTA NITEL TO BUREAU 11/29/73.

USA'S OFFICE, U.S. SECRET SERVICE, OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL, FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND POLICE DEPARTMENT, ALL COLUMBUS, OHIO, ADVISED ABOVE INFORMATION.

CINCINNATI WILL FOLLOW, KEEP BUREAU ADVISED AND SUBMIT LHM.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: NOV 28 1973

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-9178) (C)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM BUCKMAN  
EM, - KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 RJ/fob

ReBulet to NY, dated 9/11/73, captioned, "National  
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), EM."

[redacted] has previously identified the above  
captioned individual as a member of Klavern 102 of the  
NKKKK. [redacted]

On 11/16/73, [redacted]

Albany, NY, furnished the following background information  
regarding the subject to SA [redacted]

Name:

Race:

White

Sex:

Male

DOB:

Height:

5'10"

Weight:

190 lbs.

Military:

SSAN:

Address:

Employment:

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1 - New York

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NY 157-9178

No criminal record could be located for the above named individual in the files of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office which covers Ellenville, NY. These records were checked by SA [ ] on 11/19/73. No record for him could be located in the files of the Ellenville, NY PD which were checked on that same date by SA [ ]

The indices of the NYO contained no identifiable subversive reference to the subject.

Subject's activities to date indicate no propensity for violence and it is not thought that further investigation is warranted. His activities are being closely followed by the above source who is well acquainted with the subject.

The above is being furnished to the Bureau for indexing purposes per instructions in reBulet.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: NOV 28 1973

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-9177) (C)

SUBJECT: CHARLES LOUDENSLAGER  
EM - KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 8-30-88 BY SP2/ryf

ReBulet to NY, dated 9/11/73, captioned, "National  
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, (NKKKK), EM."

[redacted] has previously identified the above  
captioned individual as a member of Klavern 102 of the  
NKKKK. He is a Correction Officer employed by the NY  
State Correctional Facility.

On 11/16/73 [redacted]

Albany, NY, furnished the following background information  
regarding the subject to SA [redacted]

Name:	CHARLES LOUDENSLAGER
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
DOB:	4/19/43
Height:	5'11"
Weight:	243 lbs.
Hair:	Balding
Scars and Marks:	Scar on left leg, 15 stitches
Home Address:	Ellenville, NY
Marital Status:	Married
SSAN:	133-34-7118
Military:	US Air Force 4/23/62 - 9/25/65
Employment:	Correction Officer Eastern NY Correctional Facility Napanoch, NY Appointed 8/24/70

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1 - New York

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REC-28 157-161-1066

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NY 157-9177

No criminal record could be located for the above named individual in the files of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office which covers Ellenville, NY. These records were checked by SA [redacted] on 11/19/73. No record for him could be located in the files of the Ellenville, NY, PD which were checked on that same date by SA [redacted]

The indices of the NYO contained no identifiable subversive reference to the subject.

Subject's activities to date indicate no propensity for violence and it is not thought that further investigation is warranted. His activities are being closely followed by the above source who is well acquainted with the subject.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: NOV 28 1973

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (157-10725) (C)

SUBJECT:

EM - KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8WJ/605

ReBulet to NY, dated 9/11/73, captioned, "National  
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), EM."

[redacted] has previously identified the above  
captioned individual as a member of Klavern 102 of the  
NKKKK.

On 11/16/73, [redacted]

[redacted]  
Albany, NY, furnished the following background information  
regarding the subject to SA [redacted]

Name:

Race:

White

Sex:

Male

DOB:

Height:

6'2½"

Weight:

194 lbs.

Address:

Marital Status:

SSAN:

Employment:

Arrest:

2 - Bureau (RM)  
1 - New York

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NY 157-10725

No criminal record could be located for the above named individual in the files of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office which covers Olive Bridge, NY. These records were checked by SA [redacted] on 11/19/73.

The indices of the NYO contained no identifiable subversive reference to the subject.

Subject's activities to date indicate no propensity for violence and it is not thought that further investigation is warranted. His activities are being closely followed by the above source who is well acquainted with the subject.

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Director Sec'y	_____

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11:55PM NITEL 11/29/73 DHS

TO DIRECTOR (ATTN: INTD)  
CINCINNATI  
CLEVELAND  
FROM ATLANTA 157-60 P

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 JY/66

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK); EM - KLAN.

ON 11/28/73 SOURCE ADVISED THAT NKKKK IMPERIAL WIZARD JAMES R. VENABLE HAS NO PLANS TO ATTEND THE MEETING TO BE HELD IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, ON SATURDAY, 12/1/73. SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT SEVERAL NKKKK GRAND DRAGONS HAVE URGED VENABLE TO COMPLETELY CANCEL THIS MEETING, BUT SO FAR HE HAS FAILED TO DO SO. SOURCE STATED IT IS UNLIKELY 10 GRAND DRAGONS WILL ATTEND MEETING.

SOURCE STATED OHIO NKKKK [REDACTED] ATTEMPT TO TAKE OVER CONTROL OF NKKKK AT THIS MEETING.

ADMINISTRATIVE: CLEVELAND TELETYPE TO BUREAU 11/26/73, CAPTIONED NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO.

SOURCE: FORMER [REDACTED] VOLUNTARILY FURNISHED THE

ABOVE INFORMATION ON 11/28/73.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT : NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
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Re AT teletype to the Bureau, 11/12/73, captioned  
as above.

[redacted] advised he had met  
[redacted] NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, on  
11/18/73, at Loveland Park, Ohio. At this meeting, [redacted]  
announced what he called a rally to be held at the  
Holiday Inn, located on Interstate 71, Grove City, Ohio.  
[redacted] did not state a date, but advised he would notify  
source as to the exact date at a later time. [redacted]  
stated that he expected ten Grand Dragons and JAMES  
AVENABLE to attend this function. [redacted] advised that  
there would be an attempt to revamp the functions of the  
Klan.

The above is submitted in view of the fact that  
it appears likely that this meeting is the same mentioned  
in referenced teletype.

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2 - Cleveland  
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AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will maintain contact with  and submit  
date of above mentioned meeting.

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9:40 PM NITEL 11/26/73 JSM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (105-168)

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FROM CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P) 2P

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF  
OHIO, EM-KLAN.

ON 11/26/73, A SOURCE WHO HAS SUPPLIED RELIABLE INFORMATION  
IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] NKKKK, REALM  
OF OHIO, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT A HIGH LEVEL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT A  
HOLIDAY INN IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, ON SATURDAY, 12/1/73. SOURCE STATED  
THAT [REDACTED] DID NOT MENTION THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING, BUT DID  
STATE THAT IMPERIAL WIZARD JAMES VENABLE AND GRAND DRAGONS FROM 10  
OTHER STATES WOULD BE IN ATTENDANCE.

~~ADMIN~~ CLEVELAND WILL SUBMIT LHM UPON COMPLETION OF MEETING.

ATLANTA AND CINCINNATI, CONTACT LOCAL KLAN SOURCES RE  
PLANNED EVENT AND SUBMIT DETAILS RE MEETING TO BUREAU AND  
CLEVELAND IN A FORM SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION.

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RE ATLANTA NITEL TO BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, 11/12/73.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-24203)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-15688) (C)

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
P. O. BOX 1234,  
DENHAM SPRINGS, LOUISIANA 70726  
EM-KLAN  
OO: NEW ORLEANS

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DATE 8-31-88 BY SP-10  
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Re New Orleans airtel to Bureau 10/25/73, and Bureau airtel to New Orleans 11/1/73. 157-24203-12

Referenced airtels refer to [redacted] affiliation with the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK), P. O. Box 1234, Denham Springs, La.

[redacted] maintains this post office box for the purpose of mailing orders for various publications he prints. These include "African Atto", a "Black Power" manual, offering a course to blacks in body building, self defense, and fighting techniques.

[redacted] has described "African Atto" as a scheme devised by [redacted] "to make money off the Niggers." The manual sells for \$10 a copy; however, it is worth about \$.25 per copy.

[redacted] also advertises through leaflets, information regarding membership in the "Knights of the KKK." The same leaflets offer subscriptions to the "Crusader" for \$4.00, one year, quarterly. The advertising pamphlet asks a question, "What is the answer to black power?"

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On 9/17/73, [ ] furnished information that [ ]  
[ ] of the National Knights of the KKK in La.  
and is the [ ] in the country and is also the  
[ ]

On 8/30/73, [ ] advised that the Grand Dragon  
of the National Knights of the KKK for Georgia had been in  
contact with [ ] to furnish the names of all the National  
Knights of the KKK Grand Dragons. [ ] wanted this information  
in order to contact the Grand Dragons about a magazine [ ]  
[ ] called "The Crusader."

On 9/6/73, Chief of Police, ALVIN CORLEY, Denham  
Springs, La., advised that [ ] sells pamphlets from P. O. Box 1234,  
Denham Springs, La., solely to make money and he has no  
organization with membership, black or white.

On 11/20/73, [ ] advised that [ ]  
capitalizing on racism to sell pamphlets to both blacks and  
whites. [ ] is the proclaimed leader of the Knights of the KKK  
in Denham Springs, La.; however, there is no such organization  
at this time.

In view of the above, New Orleans is maintaining  
separate files as follows:

[ ] NO 157-13457

THE CRUSADER, NO 157-15942

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KKK, 157-188

New Orleans file 157-15688 entitled \*KNIGHTS OF THE  
KKK, P. O. BOX 1234, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA., is being closed in  
view of the fact that this is apparently a nonexistent organiza-  
tion and [ ] is affiliated with the National Knights of the KKK.

If subsequent investigation reveals an actual organiza-  
tion called the Knights of the KKK in Denham Springs, La.,  
NO File 157-15688 will be reopened.

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TO

DIRECTOR (157-168)

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK) REALM OF OHIO

EM - KLAN.

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APPROXIMATELY 60 PERSONS ATTENDED PUBLICLY ADVERTISED NKKKK

RALLY AT HOLIDAY INN SOUTH GROVE CITY, OHIO BETWEEN NOON AND  
11:00PM 12/1/73. PLANS FOR ATTENDANCE BY JAMES R. VENABLE AND  
TEN GRAND DRAGONS FROM OTHER REALMS ABANDONED BY RALLY LEADER

OF LODI, OHIO WHO STATED HE PLANS TO FILE AS AN OHIO  
GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE IN JANUARY 1974.

APPROXIMATELY 5:30PM 12/1/73 25 PICKETS WITH SIGNS OF PROTEST  
AGAINST KLAN BEGAN MARCHING AND CHANTING AT MOTEL ENTRANCE.  
PICKETS WERE LEAD BY OF STUDENTS FOR A  
DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY - WORKERS STUDENT ALLIANCE (SDS-WSA)  
COLUMBUS, OHIO. CARRYING PLACARD "PLP SAYS RACISM IS  
BOSSES'S TOOL". PLACARDS WERE FASTENED TO WOODEN STAFFS ABOUT  
ONE AND ONE HALF INCHES THICK. IN LESS THAN TEN MINUTES PICKETS  
MOVED TO REAR DOOR OF MEETING ROOM WHERE SOME NKKKK MEMBERS HAD  
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EXITED TO VIEW DEMONSTRATION. FIGHT BEGAN AT ONCE AS UNIDENTIFIED KLANSMAN WAS STRUCK WITH PICKET SIGN AND SIMULTANEOUSLY PUNCHED THE PICKET. GROVE CITY POLICE IN RIOT GEAR WHO HAD BEEN HELD IN NEARBY OBSCURE READINESS IMMEDIATELY HALTED ALTERCATION, MOVED KLANSMEN BACK INTO THE MOTEL AND THE PICKETS INTO THEIR CARS AND OUT OF THE AREA. NO ARRESTS, INJURIES OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OCCURRED.

PEACEFUL LEAFLETING BETWEEN 6:30PM AND 8:30PM BY THREE REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE (YSA) AT MOTEL ENTRANCE CAUSED NO DISTURBANCES. KLAN RALLY CLIMAXED WITH WEDDING OF COUPLE FROM CLEVELAND, OHIO AREA. KLAN ROBES WERE WORN ONLY IN MEETING ROOM AND NOT OUTSIDE OR IN PUBLIC AREAS OF MOTEL.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE CI NITEL 11/30/73.

USA'S OFFICE, U.S. SECRET SERVICE, OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL, FRANKLIN COUNTY S.O. AND PD ALL COLUMBUS, OHIO COGNIZANT.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-168)

DATE: 12/14/73

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (157-5031) (P)

SUBJECT: NKKKK, Realm of Ohio  
EM-KLAN

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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 JFJ/fet

Re Cleveland nitel to Bureau and other officer,  
11/26/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM dated and captioned above. Two copies of same LHM are being forwarded to U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland. An FD 376 also being submitted.

Informational copies of enclosed LHM are also being sent to Atlanta, Cincinnati, and Detroit in view of their interest in this matter.

Source utilized in the enclosed LHM is [redacted] location [redacted] LHM is datelined Cincinnati, Ohio, to protect source.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

December 14, 1973

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: National Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

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Very truly yours,

  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2)  
U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio

December 14, 1973

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN

On December 1, 1973, a source, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised that National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), Realm of Ohio, held a rally at the Holiday Inn, South Grove City, Ohio. The rally was sponsored by [redacted] Ohio NKKKK, and was organized by [redacted]. The evening's activities commenced at approximately 7:00 PM with a Klan wedding of a young couple. This was followed by a recruiting rally from 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM, and the evening was completed with an initiation ceremony.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK), was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social and benevolent order." The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern States, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic and anti-foreign born.

Source advised that approximately 60 people were in attendance, including 35 people from the Columbus and southern parts of Ohio, a dozen Klansmen from northeastern Ohio, and another dozen of undetermined origin.

Source stated that [redacted] picked the site of the Klan event, just outside the Columbus, Ohio area, because he wanted to avoid the Columbus police jurisdiction and the black population in the Columbus area.

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KU KLUX KLAN

[ ] spent time discussing his plans for the future Gubernatorial election in Ohio. [ ] announced that he had chosen [ ] to run as his Lieutenant Governor. [ ] also stated that he plans to file for the office after the first of the year. [ ] has passed out petition forms to several Klan assistants and hopes to have 2,000 signatures by January.

Source advised that [ ] announced that the scheduled Imperial Board meeting with Imperial Wizard JAMES VENABLE and 10 other Grand Dragons had been cancelled because of the "fuel crisis," and [ ] has made no mention concerning its rescheduling.

Source stated that the Klan wedding ceremony was officiated by an individual named [ ] from Detroit, Michigan, who functions as an "Identity Minister" out of the Lansing, Michigan [ ] Another young couple who were initiated into the Klan after the rally were identified as [ ] residence unknown.

Source advised that prior to the evening's activities there occurred a confrontation between a group called the Workers Student Alliance and the Klan. This group was picketing outside the motel where the Klan activities were being held. Source stated that a short scuffle ensued which was halted by the local police and sheriffs. There were no arrests made, and no serious injuries to any participants. Source stated, however, that this incident did prompt [ ] to state that in the future he would have to tighten and arm his security forces with billyclubs, helmets and mace.

#### WORKER STUDENT ALLIANCE

Worker Student Alliance (WSA), a faction of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), was expelled

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN

from SDS in June, 1969, by the then dominant Weatherman faction, but continued to use the name SDS and opened an office in Cambridge, Massachusetts. WSA aligned ideologically with the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) and, in February, 1971, moved to Chicago, Illinois, where it opened the SDS National Office at 1225 South Wabash Street.

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) was founded during June, 1962 at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the 1960s functioned as the leading New Left, campus-based student organization in the United States. From an initial posture of "participatory democracy," SDS moved to a radical-revolutionary position, with debate centering on how best to create a revolutionary youth movement. Internal factionalism produced a split during the SDS National Convention in June, 1969, which results in the following three (3) factions: Weatherman; Worker Student Alliance (WSA); and Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM). The weatherman and RYM are no longer affiliated with SDS. The WSA continues to use the name SDS and maintains its national headquarters at the Progressive Labor Party Office (PLP), 139 Main Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY (PLP)

The Progressive Labor Party (PLP) founded in 1965 by former members of the CPUSA, who assertedly followed a Chinese Communist line, is a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist organization dedicated to a dictatorship of the working class.



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KU KLUX KLAN

Source stated that the following individuals were noted in attendance:

[REDACTED] Lodi, Ohio [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Cleveland, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Cleveland, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Munroe Falls, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Loveland, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Loveland, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Alliance, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Alliance, Ohio  
[REDACTED] Loveland, Ohio  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Detroit, Michigan / Ohio  
[REDACTED]

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To Director, FBI (157-168)

From SAC, Indianapolis (157-175)

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 DATE 8-30-88 BY SP8 [redacted]

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

RE

On 11/15/73, [redacted] advised that there would be a meeting of the Pilot Committee of the NKKKK on 12/1/73 at the Holiday Inn, Grove City, Ohio. The meeting was sponsored by [redacted] Realm of Ohio. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of joining forces with the UKA, currently under the leadership of [redacted]

Source advised that [redacted] was facing financial difficulties and that JAMES VENABLE, leader of the NKKKK, telephonically contacted [redacted] advised that he would turn over the leadership of the NKKKK to [redacted] in an effort to unify all Klans. [redacted] allegedly turned down the offer. VENABLE apparently realizes that [redacted] is in financial difficulty and feels this is an opportunity to incorporate all Klans under his leadership.

On 12/4/73, source further advised that the Pilot Committee meeting was cancelled because of the fuel shortage situation. It was felt that members of the committee would be unable to attend this meeting and that the NKKKK desired greater attendance for the important matters that were to be discussed.

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 2 - Indianapolis

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No future plans were made regarding the possibility of a Pilot Committee meeting in the near future. Indianapolis is closely following this matter and will report all pertinent information.

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Date: 12/6/73

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)  
REALM OF OHIO  
EM - KLAN

Re CI teletypes dated 11/30/73 and 12/2/73.

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of an LHM concerning the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) rally at Grove City, Ohio on 12/1/73.

Two copies of an FD-376 are stapled to the LHM.

Two copies each are being disseminated for Cleveland and Detroit. One copy is being furnished Atlanta as Office of Origin.

- 2-Bureau (Enc. 8) **ENCLOSURE**
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- (1 - 157-5615)
- (1 - 157-1094)
- (1 - 157-856)

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Special Agent in Charge

One copy each of the LHM is being disseminated locally to United States Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio and United States Attorney, Columbus, Ohio.

Individuals mentioned in LHM who reside within the Cincinnati Division are all subjects of current investigations.

The [redacted] confidential source utilized in LHM is [redacted]

[redacted] confidential source is [redacted]

The Special Agent who overheard [redacted] was Special Agent [redacted]

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 241 (Conspiracy against rights of citizens); Section 245 (Federally protected activities), Civil Rights Act of 1968; or related Civil Rights Statutes.

Klan organizations claim as their aims the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. They are primarily antiblack and anti-Semitic.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.  
(NKKKK)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

**December 6, 1973**

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

RE: **NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN**

Dear Sir:

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6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
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Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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U. S. Secret Service , **Cincinnati, Ohio**  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
December 6, 1973

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(NKKKK)  
REALM OF OHIO

On November 28, 1973, a paid advertisement appeared on Page 2 of the "Columbus Dispatch", a daily evening newspaper of general circulation at Columbus, Ohio, which announced that there would be a public meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) at the Holiday Inn South, Interstate Highway 71, and Stringtown Road, Grove City, Ohio. The advertisement stated that James R. Venable and ten Grand Dragons from other states would be in attendance and that there might also be a wedding. Speaking was announced to begin at 6:30 PM, but doors would be open from 12:00 Noon.

*James Venable*  
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
INCORPORATED (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK), was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic and anti-foreign born.

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On November 30, 1973, [redacted]  
Holiday Inn South, advised that reservations had been made for Meeting Room 2 for a political meeting on December 1, 1973, by one [redacted]  
[redacted] Lockbourne, Ohio. [redacted]  
made the reservation on November 19, 1973, and also reserved five rooms for guests who would be attending. [redacted] advised that first notice that the political meeting would actually be a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan came to him via the newspaper advertisement, at which time he went to [redacted] and asked specifically what had [redacted] planned and to lay down certain rules  
[redacted]

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of the house, which included a prohibition against wearing of ceremonial robes outside of the meeting room and any activity which might infringe upon the movements, safety or comfort of other guests of the hotel. [redacted] advised he received assurances from [redacted] that all amenities would be observed.

On December 1, 1973, [redacted] advised that he had received advice from [redacted] that morning that the five rooms reserved for the night of December 1, 1973, would not be required.

On December 1, 1973, [redacted] was overheard by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation while [redacted] was in the lobby of the Holiday Inn South. [redacted] identified himself to a reporter as the [redacted] of the Ohio Realm of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. [redacted] stated that he would be the only [redacted] present on that day since travel problems had motivated them to cancel plans to have James R. Venable and 10 Grand Dragons from other States present for the rally that day. [redacted] stated to the reporter that there would be a wedding, however, and that it would take place when the Minister arrived from the airport. While sitting in the lobby, [redacted] made a telephone call and his end of the conversation was clearly heard by all present in the hotel lobby.

[redacted] spoke to a [redacted] and inquired why [redacted] was not yet there. [redacted] inquired of the other party if he was nervous and then told him to come to the meeting whether he found his wife or not.

From Noon on December 1, 1973, until approximately 3:30 PM, no more than twenty persons were present in the meeting room at one time, while others visited the cocktail lounge and dining room and some stood outside in the parking lot. Many present wore white jackets with NKKKK emblems and affiliations and black ties with white letters "KKK" boldly affixed thereto. 1942

At approximately 4:00 PM, one [redacted] arrived, ostensibly from the airport and announced that he was a Pastor of [redacted] of Detroit, Michigan and that he was there to perform the wedding ceremony for a APPROX young couple from Cleveland [redacted]

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reporter that this would be the first wedding ceremony he had ever performed.

By approximately 5:00 PM, about 60 people were present in the meeting room when about 30 individuals appeared in the hotel driveway outside the lobby and began marching and chanting such slogans as "The Ku Klux Klan is the scum of the earth", and carried signs in protest of the Klan meeting inside. One, who appeared to be the leader of the protest group, and was known to a Special Agent of the FBI present, was [redacted] who carried a sign which read, "The P.L.P. says racism is the bosses' tool". Within a very few minutes the protesters encountered several of those attending the Klan meeting who were standing at a rear door from the meeting room to the parking lot. One of the protesters struck a middle age male from the Klan group with a heavy stick to which protest signs were affixed, and the man threw a punch at the attacker. Immediately, and before any injuries or property damage might occur, police officers of the Grove City, Ohio Police Department intervened and told Klansmen to return to their meeting room, and the protesters were told to remove themselves at once from the property. [redacted]

[redacted] personally assisted in the restraint of those from the Klan meeting and told them to return to the meeting room. No arrests were made and no injuries or property damage occurred.

#### PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY

The Progressive Labor Party (PLP) was founded in 1962 by individuals expelled from the Communist Party, USA, for following the Chinese communist line. Its objective is the establishment of a militant working-class movement based on Marxism-Leninism and MAO Tse-tung thought.

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[redacted] confidential source, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised [redacted] of the Students for a Democratic Society/Worker Student Alliance (SDS/WSA), Columbus, Ohio.

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY/WORKER  
STUDENT ALLIANCE

Worker Student Alliance (WSA), a faction of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), was expelled from SDS in June, 1969, by the then dominant Weatherman faction but continued to use the name SDS and opened an office in Boston, Massachusetts. WSA aligned ideologically with the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) and in February, 1971, moved to Chicago, Illinois. Students for a Democratic Society/Worker Student Alliance currently shares office space with the PLP in Chicago.

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) was founded during June, 1962, at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the 1960's functioned as the leading New Left, campus-based student organization in the United States. From an initial posture of "participatory democracy", SDS moved to a radical-revolutionary position, with debate centering on how best to create a revolutionary youth movement. Internal factionalism produced a split during the SDS National Convention in June, 1969, which resulted in the following three (3) factions: Weatherman; Worker Student Alliance (WSA); and Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM). The Weatherman and RYM are no longer affiliated with SDS. The WSA continues to use the name SDS and maintains its national headquarters at the Progressive Labor Party Office (PLP), 139 Main Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

[redacted] confidential source, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised on December 3, 1973, that the NKKKK rally held at the Holiday Inn,

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Grove City, Ohio on December 1, 1973, began at approximately 5 PM and lasted until 11 PM. The rally was held in a private room in the Holiday Inn.

At the outset, [ ] announced that James Venable and the other ten Grand Dragons could not attend the rally. [ ] then announced to those assembled that the main purpose for this rally would be to let the press know his platform if he is successful in being placed on the primary ballot for the Governorship for the State of Ohio. [ ] announced that he presently has 400 of the needed 1,000 signatures to be placed on the primary ballot. He announced that when he reaches 1,000 signatures he will then endorse [ ] for Lieutenant Governor. This source advised that at approximately 6:00 PM a group of approximately 30 white males and females attempted to break into the closed meeting room and a scuffle ensued. This source advised that immediately order was restored by the policemen who told all Klans people to remain in the meeting room and advised the disturbers to leave the area. This source stated that there appeared to be no arrests made and no injuries received by any Klansmen.

This source stated that following the scuffle, the following individuals spoke:

[ ]  
Akron, Ohio

[ ]  
Columbus, Ohio

[ ]  
West Alexandria, Ohio

These speakers all generally spoke out against the Jewish population and criticized President Nixon, Ohio Governor Gilligan and the United Nations.

Following the speakers, a marriage ceremony took place.

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This source noted that the rally was attended by 59 men and 15 women. Approximately 20 of these individuals were in Klan robes. Noted in attendance by the source were the following:

[REDACTED]  
Monroe Falls, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Winchester, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Winchester, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Loveland, Ohio

[REDACTED]  
Norwood, Ohio

LEADER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

A Special Agent of the FBI observed that during the Klan meeting from approximately 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM, six young people, representing the Columbus Young Socialist Alliance, passed out leaflets to people entering and leaving the hotel but no incidents occurred and the protestors had departed about two hours before the Klan meeting finally concluded. None of those present at the Klan meeting registered to remain at the hotel over night. A copy of the Young Socialist Alliance leaflet is attached.

#### YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

As the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP), the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) serves as the main source of recruitment into that organization. The YSA is described in the masthead of its official publication, "The Young Socialist Organizer", as "A multinational revolutionary socialist youth organization".

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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# PROTEST THE MEETING OF KKK

WHY SHOULD THE COLUMBUS COMMUNITY  
BE CONCERNED WITH THE MEETING OF

THE KKK IN THIS CITY? WHY SHOULD  
PERSONS WHO DEFEND THE RIGHT OF FREE  
SPEECH BE CONCERNED WITH PROHIBITING THE  
KKK FROM HOLDING A MEETING IN COLUMBUS,  
OR ANYWHERE ELSE?

IN OUR SOCIETY THERE ARE CERTAIN ACTIONS  
WHICH ARE CONSIDERED A DANGER TO THE  
SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF OUR SOCIETY. THE  
KKK HAS A HISTORY OF TERRORISTIC ACTIVITIES  
AGAINST BLACKS, JEWS, CATHOLICS, COMMUNISTS  
AND OTHER MINORITY GROUPS. THEIR RACIST  
ANTI-WORKER IDEOLOGY IS A THREAT TO THE  
SAFETY OF OUR SOCIETY. THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE  
KKK AND OTHER FASCIST GROUPS RIGHT TO ORGANIZE  
MEANS AN ACCEPTANCE OF THE RIGHT TO CARRY OUT  
A PROGRAM OF TERRORISM, IN OTHER WORDS CONDONING  
THEIR ACTIVITIES AND AIMS: THE SUBJUGATION OF  
MINORITIES AND OF THE WORKING CLASS TO FURTHER  
BENEFIT A SELECT FEW.

WE MUST PROTEST THE ACTIVITIES OF THE KKK  
AND LET IT BE KNOWN THAT WE DO NOT WANT  
THEM ACTIVE IN OUR CITY.

COLUMBUS \* YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

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520PM URGENT 12-10-73 CJR

TO DIRECTOR 157-168

ATLANTA 157-60

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FROM NEW YORK 157-8010

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KLU KLUX KLAN, EM-KLAN, OO ATLANTA.

ON 12/10/73, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED  
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST, ADVISED [REDACTED]  
NATIONAL RENAISSANCE PARTY (NRP), NYC, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF NRP  
TRAVELED FROM NYC TO LEVITTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA ON AFTERNOON  
OF 12/8/73 TO ATTEND FUND RAISING DINNER FOR [REDACTED]

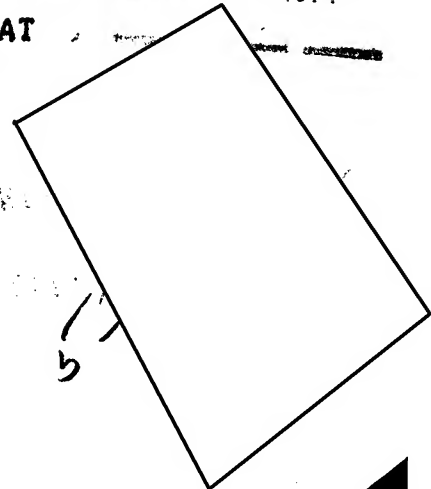
RECENTLY CONVICTED [REDACTED]

MICHIGAN. DINNER WAS SPONSORED BY NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX  
KLAN, UNDER TITLE OF "CHRISTIAN UNITY CONFERENCE", AT  
SITE CALLED "HENRIQUE'S DANCE STUDIO".

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NRP ARRIVED APPROXIMATELY 8:00 PM, AND \$5 DONATION WAS COLLECTED FROM EACH INDIVIDUAL. AFFAIR BEGAN AT 8:30 PM WITH SPEECH BY LOCAL KLAN MEMBER NAMED [REDACTED] WHO SPOKE ABOUT [REDACTED] AND HOW MONEY RAISED WILL HELP PAY HIS TAXES. [REDACTED] READ NOTE STATED TO BE FROM [REDACTED] EXPRESSING ENCOURAGEMENT AND GRATITUDE. APPROXIMATELY 100 PEOPLE WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

UNKNOWN MALE THEN READ A STATEMENT SAID TO BE MADE BY [REDACTED] AT HIS TRIAL. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY PRAYER BY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WHOM SOURCE BELIEVED TO BE FROM MICHIGAN AND ALSO DESCRIBED AS NOT TRUE CLERGYMAN.

SPEECH THEN MADE BY [REDACTED] NKKKK MEMBER FROM READING, PENNSYLVANIA, WHO COMMENTED [REDACTED] WAS NOT GUILTY OF OFFENSE CHARGED AND RECEIVED UNFAIR SENTENCE. HE CALLED FOR WHITE POWER NOW AND TOLD THOSE PRESENT TO FOLLOW LEADERS LIKE [REDACTED]

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DURING MEETING MEDALS WERE HANDED OUT COMMENDING PINE BUSH,  
NEW YORK KLAN MEMBERS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ACCEPTED MEDALS FOR [REDACTED]  
OF NRP.

MENTION MADE OF \$50 CONTRIBUTION BY PINE BUSH KLAVERN  
AND ALSO INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION BY [REDACTED]  
AMOUNT UNKNOWN.

MEETING ENDED 9:30 PM WITH PRAYER BY [REDACTED]  
THOSE PRESENT WENT INTO ADJOINING ROOM FOR BUFFET. NRP LEFT  
AREA AT 11:30 PM, AT WHICH TIME AFFAIR WAS ABOUT OVER.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] (BUREAU APPROVED) WHO ATTENDED  
AFFAIR.

AM COPY THIS COMMUNICATION BEING FURNISHED DETROIT.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 1/15/74

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FROM : SAC ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
EM - NKKKK

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Re Atlanta report of SA [redacted]  
dated 4/9/73.

As a reminder to all receiving offices, it is pointed out that Atlanta, as office of origin, must submit a report on March 15 of each year concerning NKKKK. Each auxiliary office having an active NKKKK chapter or members in its territory, is requested to furnish Atlanta a succinct summary of NKKKK activities in its territory in insert form.

The material should be so organized that NKKKK activity will be reported separately by state. This will allow Atlanta to arrange NKKKK activity by state and permit a more comprehensive report. Referenced report of 4/9/73, was submitted in accordance with Bureau instructions and by referring to it, auxiliary offices may get a clearer picture of the manner in which inserts should be furnished to Atlanta.

In order to facilitate the handling of this information, Atlanta requests that each office furnish it with only one copy of its insert with pages unnumbered and suitable for xeroxing. Each office should also furnish Atlanta, for the inclusion in the Administrative

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Pages of this report, an unnumbered insert administrative page. "T" symbols should be preceded by office prefix.

Each office should take the necessary steps to obtain the information required by the Manual of Instructions. Membership figures, actual or estimated, should be supported by sources.

Atlanta will also prepare a recapitulation of NKKKK membership figures nationally, together with a detailed table of contents concerning the information furnished by the various offices in insert form.

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**NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
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- Retention ☒ For appropriate  
☐ For information ☐ optional ☐ action ☐ Surep, by \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.
- ☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks:

**ATTACHED IS A COPY OF ATLANTA LET, 1/15/74. IN  
VIEW OF NKKKK ACTIVITY YOUR DIVISION IS TO COM-  
PLY WITH ATLANTA REQUEST.**

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (157-2035)

SUBJ : NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
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Re New York nitel to Bureau dated 11/28/73 entitled  
"NY 10321; EM - NRP" and Bureau nitel to New York dated  
11/29/73 entitled "MY 10321, EM - NRP".

On 11/29/73 [redacted] advised that the  
Bucks County Klavern, Unit #12, Trevese, Pa., Philadelphia  
Klavern Unit #20, Philadelphia, Pa., Upper Darby Klavern,  
Unit #10, and the Hamilton Klavern, Hamilton, N.J. have  
dropped their affiliation with the United Klans of America,  
Inc. and are now affiliated with the National Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan.

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1-157-1646 (UKA, PA.)  
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The first function under their new affiliation will be to organize a fund raising banquet for [redacted] who has been recently convicted [redacted] Michigan.

This banquet is not open to the public and the only persons being invited are members of known right-wing organizations. The banquet is to be held at Henriques Dance Studio, Street Road, Bensalem Township, Pa. on 12/8/73 at 8:00 p.m. To disguise the true nature and purpose of the banquet, it is being held under the name "Christian Unity Dinner".

Members of the NKKKK from Nyack, N.Y. are scheduled to attend as well as NKKKK members from Atlantic City, N.J., Pleasantville, N.J. and [redacted] of the National Renaissance Party, 10 West 90th Street, New York, N.Y.

LEADS

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AT NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

Advise [redacted] that in the event of an emergency the agent to contact is SA [redacted] Philadelphia Office, confidential telephone number [redacted]

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Will follow above fund raising dinner through informant coverage.



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ADMINISTRATIVE

This report is being disseminated to the U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio. FD-376 submitted. Subjects mentioned in this report who are within the Cleveland Division are subjects of current investigation.

Two copies of this report are being furnished to the Atlanta Division, the Office of Origin, for the NKKKK. Two copies of this report are also furnished for the Cincinnati Division due to activities of NKKKK members from their division who periodically conduct activities in the Cleveland Division.

It should be noted that during the past year, [redacted] NKKKK Realm of Ohio, has had periodic in-fighting with several Klan members from the northern part of Ohio [redacted] several members who have become disenchanted with his running of the organization. Several of these members have been reinstated in the Klan but there appears to be continuous bickering over leadership of the organization.

It should also be noted that [redacted] is currently spending most of his time and efforts with his plans for candidacy in the next gubernatorial election in the State of Ohio.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Cleveland, Ohio

January 21, 1974

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DATE 8-30-88 BY SP-10/10

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK),  
REALM OF OHIO

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))  
U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland (By Hand)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - Secret Service, Cleveland (By Hand)

Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: Cleveland  
Date: 1/21/74

Field Office File #: 157-5031 Bureau File #: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK),  
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Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

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## Synopsis:

Ohio National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) continues to be active under the leadership of [REDACTED] Lodi, Ohio. Current total membership estimated at about 100 members, of which only a small minority are active. Activities followed from February 12, 1973, until present. Identity of organization and officers set forth. Objectives stated. Details of Ohio public rallies and meetings, as well as Ohio representation out of state planned functions, set forth. Text from Ohio newspaper articles regarding Ohio Klan attached.

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## DETAILS:

I. IDENTITY OF ORGANIZATION

- A. Name: Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan
- B. Address: Office of the Grand Dragon,  
[REDACTED] P.O. Box 248, Lodi, Ohio 44254
- C. Telephone number: [REDACTED]

Sources whose identities are  
concealed herein have furnished  
reliable information in the  
past except where otherwise noted.

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- D. Location of the National Headquarters:  
JAMES R. VENABLE, Stone Mountain,  
Georgia
- E. Telephone Number of the National Headquarters:  
VENABLE home 469-9786; Office 688-9137,  
524-4966, 938-5921 [redacted]

II. CHARTER INFORMATION

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX  
KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

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III. IDENTITY AND POSITION OF OFFICERS

[redacted] Realm of Ohio  
[redacted] Realm of  
Cleveland, Ohio

[redacted] Realm of  
Loveland, Ohio

[redacted] Realm of  
Akron, Ohio, and [redacted]  
[redacted] for Ohio NKKKK.  
[redacted] Realm of Columbus,  
Ohio [redacted]

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IV. MEMBERSHIP

Total membership in the State of Ohio is estimated at approximately 100 members of whom only a small minority are active in Klan functions. The Klan has numerous non-member supporters, all of whom do not take any active part in the organization.

V. OBJECTIVES STATED BY THE KLAN

- A. Take back our country politically, legally, socially, economically, religiously, and financially.
- B. Welcome to our land all those people of the Nordic Anglo-Saxon race, the Teutonic race, the Gallic race, and all those people classed as white Caucasian.
- C. Demand the expulsion of more than eight million immigrants here illegally so that our country can be purified.
- D. Demand that the old Immigration Laws be fully re-instated and enforced.
- E. Demand the complete repeal of all foreign aid that are not bona fide security loans at interest.
- F. Complete withdrawal from the United Nations and the United Nations removal from this country.
- G. Repeal the 16th Amendment pertaining to the graduated income tax so that the people may enjoy the fruit of their labors.
- H. Repeal the National Banking Act and return our money into the hands of the U.S. Government.
- I. Pledge to every member unswerving programs of Americans.

- J. Demand the death knell of the police state, the welfare state, Communist state, and the alien state.
- K. Repeal the Communications Act of 1934.
- L. Never harm or oppress any minority group in the exercise of their beliefs, but warn them to never force us to conform to their beliefs.
- M. Demand that all matters pertaining to education and religion be removed from the appellate jurisdiction and left to the Supreme Courts of the states.
- N. Repeal all Civil Rights enactments.
- O. Remove any holder of any public office who refuses to fulfill his duty as public servant.
- P. The Klan is determined to become the dominant political force in America once again.

Objectives Not Stated:

The wholesale extermination of all trouble-making minority groups.

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VI. ACTIVITY

A. ACTS OF VIOLENCE, TERRORISM, AND INTIMIDATION

The only such activities involving the Ohio NKKKK continues to be putting up stickers carrying anti-Jew, "anti-nigger", and anti-race mixing propaganda in restrooms, restaurants, and other public places.   
Ohio NKKKK, has stated on several occasions that he would kick out any member of the Klan who participated in any act of violence or terrorism.

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There have been no acts of violence, terrorism, or intimidation involving the Ohio NKKKK in the Cleveland and Akron metropolitan areas in the past year. [redacted] Detective [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Akron Police Department and Detective Sergeant [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Cleveland Police Department)

B. RECRUITING ACTIVITIES

At each rally there is a recruiting station which signs up approximately 25 people of which 5 to 12 are actually enlisted. However, many of these individuals attend one or two additional Klan functions out of curiosity and then cease their active participation with the Klan. [redacted]

C. NUMBER OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OR RALLIES HELD

1. The following activities were held in the State of Ohio:

On February 12, 1973, [redacted] advised that several unidentified Klansmen from the Lodi/West Salem, Ohio, area recently went to the town of West Salem, Ohio, to assist the local residents in their protest against the town mayor. Source advised that the Klan's motive was purely as concerned citizens since the mayor was ruling the town with "an iron fist", and not even providing the citizens with a police force, fire department, or sanitation department. Source stated that the Klan did not take any active part in the protest, but just let their presence be known. [redacted] was aware of this activity and gave his consent, but did not actively participate himself.

On February 25, 1973, [redacted] advised that a NKKKK meeting was held at the residence of [redacted] in Lodi, Ohio, on February 18, 1973. About 15 people were in attendance at this meeting which was called by [redacted] to elect the State Board for the Ohio NKKKK and to initiate two new members, identities unknown, into the Klan. [redacted] was elected as the [redacted] for the State Board and [redacted]

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elected as Assistant Director. [ ] would oversee the activities of the State Board and would still remain as the top man in the organization.

On March 5, 1973 [ ] advised that several Klansmen attended the Cleveland City Council meeting on March 3, 1973. The Klansmen attended this function along with local members of the Nazi Party from Cleveland, Ohio, as a "Show of Strength" to the Mayor and City Council of Cleveland in light of the recent incident involving the Cleveland Nazi Party and their wearing of armbands in public places. Source stated that there were no incidents at this function and that the Klan simply took their seats, watched the proceedings, and left when the meeting was over.

On May 10, 1973 [ ] advised that [ ] stated that he was going to Loveland Park, Ohio, on May 5, 1973, to attend a Klan function there. Source stated that [ ] went there to initiate three new Klan members and was to attempt to take in a splinter Klan group from Southern Ohio into the NKKKK. On this date, source also advised that [ ] had received an invitation to attend a Klan function at Cumberland, Maryland, over the weekend of May 5-6, 1973, but that he failed to make the trip since he could not afford it.

On May 20, 1973 [ ] advised that a NKKKK rally was held on May 19, 1973, at Loveland Park, Ohio. Source advised that approximately 60 persons, excluding young children, were in attendance at the beginning of the rally, but due to poor weather and the length of several of the speeches, many of those in attendance left before the rally was concluded.

On May 20, 1973 [ ] advised that [ ] stated that an initiation of new Klan members would be held after the rally at Loveland Park on May 19, 1973. Due to inclement weather and the lateness of the rally, [ ] canceled the initiation ceremonies. Source also stated that the speeches at this rally concerned the subjects of anti-Negro, anti-U.S. Government, and anti-present Government Administration.

On May 22, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK rally at Loveland Park, Ohio, on May 19, 1973, lasted from 8:30 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. with about 75 people in attendance. Source stated that several individuals from the northern Ohio area arrived in the Loveland area several hours ahead of time to make preparations for the function. Source stated that speakers at this rally included [ ] Alliance, Ohio; [ ] from Akron, Ohio; [ ] from Columbus, Ohio; and [ ] Source also stated that representatives from the National States Rights Party were in the audience distributing leaflets concerning white power.

#### NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

A source has described the National States Rights Party as an anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, white racist political party composed of past members of klan-type organizations and other right-wing groups.

On June 1, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] stated that he had made tentative arrangements for a June 30, 1973, rally on a farm outside of Dayton, Ohio. Source stated that he had no information relative to the name or address of the farm in the Dayton area.

On July 23, 1973, [ ] advised that an initiation ceremony was held at the [ ] in Lodi, Ohio, on July 22, 1973. Source stated that 16 individuals were in attendance of whom four were newly initiated into the NKKKK. [ ] advised at this meeting that he was in South Carolina over the past weekend. He stated that the NKKKK is joining forces with the United Klans of America.

#### UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., (UKA) KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

The United Klans of America, Inc., was chartered in 1961 in Georgia. Its aims and purposes are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races. It is the dominant Klan group in the South with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is currently active in several states.

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[ ] also mentioned plans for another initiation ceremony to be held at the [ ] of Loveland, Ohio, on August 4, 1973. He also mentioned that there is to be a rally at Dayton, Ohio, on August 5, 1973, which would be highly publicized.

On August 14, 1973, [ ] meeting of the NKKKK was held at the home of [ ] in Fayetteville, Ohio, [ ] Source stated that the purpose of this meeting was to initiate a new member and to make plans for the rally to be held the next day at the Hara Arena in Dayton, Ohio. Source stated that several people were in attendance at this meeting, most from the southern part of Ohio. Source added that the new member failed to show so the initiation was canceled. [ ] mentioned on this date that the rally in Dayton the next day would make or break the Klan in Ohio. He stated that it was important to have a large turnout because he had rented the arena for \$500.00 plus the fact that radio, television, and the newspapers had been alerted to the rally and he did not want any bad publicity.

On August 15, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK rally was held at the Hara Arena, Dayton, Ohio, on August 5, 1973. Source stated that attendance was very poor and not more than 40 individuals were in attendance. In his speech, [ ] announced that he would run for Governor of the State of Ohio in the next election and he spent his time talking about current problems facing the country. Source added that he was of the opinion that [ ] was very upset over the attendance since only 40 people came and the arena could seat about 1,000.

On October 1, 1973, [ ] advised that a wedding and crossburning was held in Lewisburg, Ohio, on September 29, 1973. Source stated that married at this ceremony were [ ] both of the Columbus, Ohio, area. Source advised that about 100 people were in attendance including news media and onlookers. Source stated that [ ] was in attendance at this function, as



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[ ] a reported minister from the Detroit area who officiated at the wedding service.

On November 9, 1973, [ ] stated that the next Imperial Board meeting of the NKKKK would be held in a Holiday Inn in either Cleveland or Dayton, Ohio on December 2, 1973. Source believed that [ ] would make his move at this meeting to become Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK. JAMES VENABLE, present Imperial Wizard, would not attend this meeting. VENABLE is reportedly angry with [ ] because [ ] used VENABLE's telephone company credit card and charged over \$108.00 in long distance calls on it.

On November 14, 1973, [ ] advised that a meeting of the NKKKK would be held on November 18, 1973, at Loveland Park, Ohio, and that [ ] would attend this meeting.

Same source advised on November 19, 1973, that the above meeting was held on November 18, 1973, and [ ] announced that a rally would be held at Grove City, Ohio, in the near future. [ ] announced plans for a marriage ceremony and the attendance of ten Grand Dragons plus Imperial Wizard JAMES VENABLE. [ ] also passed out petition forms for his candidacy for Governorship and stated he needed 1,000 signatures to qualify to run in the primary.

On December 3, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK rally was held at the Holiday Inn, Grove City, Ohio, on December 1, 1973. This function began at approximately 5:00 p.m. and lasted until 11:00 p.m. Source stated that [ ] spent time discussing his election plans. Source also stated that a scuffle ensued before the meeting between local Columbus Left Wing elements and members of the Klan. This scuffle was brief, no arrests were made, and no one was injured.

On December 3, 1973, [ ] advised that a rally was held at the Holiday Inn, South Grove City, Ohio, on

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December 1, 1973. The evening's activities commenced at 7:00 p.m. with a Klan wedding of a young couple. This was followed by a recruiting rally from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. followed by an initiation ceremony.

Source advised that approximately 60 people were in attendance including 35 people from Columbus and southern parts of Ohio, a dozen from northeastern Ohio, and another dozen of unidentified origin. [ ] discussed plans for his future election plans in Ohio. He announced that he had chosen [ ] to run as his Lieutenant Governor. [ ] passed out petition forms to several Klan assistants.

2. The following activities involved the NKKKK Realm of Ohio outside the State of Ohio:

On March 26, 1973, [ ] advised that on the weekend of March 24-25, 1973, approximately 30 people gathered at the estate of JAMES VENABLE, National leader of the NKKKK. A Klan Pilot Committee was elected to serve for one year and to meet on a quarterly basis. The purpose of this Pilot Committee is to promote unity between Klan organizations and other conservative groups. [ ] of Ohio was elected to this Pilot committee. Source advised further that an individual named [ ] from Tallmadge, Ohio, was in attendance at this function representing [ ] who was unable to attend.

On March 30, 1973, [ ] also advised that a NKKKK meeting was held at the residence of JAMES VENABLE during March 24-25, 1973. Source stated that 15 different states were in attendance including the realm of Ohio which was represented by [ ] Source also stated that [ ] was elected to the Klan Pilot Committee or Imperial Board.

On March 27, 1973, [ ] also advised that [ ] was in attendance at the Klan function held at the residence of JAMES VENABLE during March 24-25, 1973. Source stated that [ ] told the group that he was representing [ ] who was unable to attend this function. [ ] also stated that the printing press used by the Ohio Klan had broken down and could not be repaired. Source also

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stated that [ ] was elected to serve on the newly-formed Imperial Council Board.

On May 31, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] attended a Klan function in Gamber, Maryland, on May 26-27, 1973. Source stated that [ ] was the only Ohio Klan member in attendance.

On June 12, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] stated that the Klan rally at Gamber, Maryland, was a "big flop". [ ] gave a short speech at this rally and left before it terminated. On June 27, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK held a National Board meeting on June 23, 1973, in Spartanburg, South Carolina, at Heritage Enterprises, Incorporated, which is [ ] realm, South Carolina. Source stated that [ ] was in attendance at this function.

On June 27, 1973, [ ] also advised that [ ] from the NKKKK Realm of Ohio was in attendance at a special rally and cross burning in Spartanburg, South Carolina, on June 23, 1973. [ ] provided this same information on the same date.

On July 2, 1973, [ ] and on July 7, 1973, [ ] both advised that [ ] attended the Imperial Period Committee held at Spartanburg, South Carolina, on June 23, 1973.

On August 1, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK's New York State Realm was planning to hold a clambake at Pine Bush, New York at 2:00 p.m. on August 12, 1973. Source advised that [ ] had been invited to attend this function but had not made any commitments on whether he would attend.

On August 22, 1973, [ ] advised that the NKKKK held a rally in Dallas, Texas on August 18, 1973. Source stated that the featured speaker at this event was [ ] from Ohio. [ ] stated that it was time for the

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Klan to revive in this country and stated that he was in Dallas to assist in organizing a NKKKK chapter.

On September 2, 1973, [ ] advised that [ ] was in attendance at the annual national rally at Stone Mountain, Georgia on September 1, 1973. Both advised that [ ] announced his candidacy for the Ohio Governorship at this function.

On September 5, 1973, [ ] and on September 10, 1973, [ ] both advised that the Realm of Ohio was represented at the annual Klan meeting at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on September 1, 1973.

D. ACQUISITION AND USE OF WEAPONS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES, AND OTHER DESTRUCTIVE DEVICES

None of the above are supplied through the Klan, although the individual members may have their own personal weapons. [ ]

E. TRAINING SESSIONS HELD

There were no training sessions held. [ ]

F. NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD

There are no established scheduled meetings for the NKKKK Realm of Ohio. [ ] gives little indication of what he is going to do before he does it. Meetings that were held during the past year were conducted after little notice and were mainly to initiate new members, to form the State Board, and for [ ] to organize his campaign plans. [ ]

VII. FINANCES

This information is maintained solely by [ ] himself. [ ] does his banking in the Lodi, Ohio, area and he collects \$2.00 a month dues from each member. [ ] has claimed to collect about \$200.00 a month in dues, but there have also been instances where [ ] has had to borrow money from other Klansmen to travel to Klan rallies. [ ]

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On February 12, 1973, [redacted] made the statement that the Klan in Ohio cost him about \$3,000 annually to run and that he is not seeing any results from the efforts he is putting into it. [redacted]

VIII. PUBLICATIONS

There is no official Ohio NKKKK publication. [redacted] does have some type of printing machine in the basement of his residence which he uses for printing propaganda. This printing press was reportedly broken and unable to be repaired, however. [redacted]

[redacted] as of October 9, 1973, was supposedly in the process of printing a leaflet concerning the FBI in Ohio. [redacted]

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

The following article concerning the NKKKK realm of Ohio appeared in the Dayton "News," Dayton, Ohio, on August 6, 1973:

RE:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
REALM OF OHIO

# Plenty of Seats, Few Sheets

By DAVID LYON  
Daily News Staff Writer

Suppose they held a Ku Klux Klan rally and nobody came.

It just about happened here Sunday. Dale Reusch of Lodi, Ohio, state grand dragon for the National Knights of the KKK, had rented Wampler's Ballarena for his first Dayton-area rally.

Wampler's set out 984 seats for the occasion, but there were no more than 20 persons in the hall during speeches by Reusch, Indiana grand dragon William Chaney and two Klan chaplains.

REUSCH, WHO plans to run for governor next year in the Democratic primary, said the United States is living on borrowed time. Government is becoming more centralized and more distant from the people, crime and drug problems are increasing, and large corporations and foreign interests are becoming more influential.

"I give us three years," he said. "I'm here to try to awaken the people to save their country."

He indicated he will return to Dayton, perhaps in the fall.

He called for stiffer drug laws, "removing the handcuffs" from police, a strong stand against communism, a ceiling on political campaign expenditures, opposition to regional government and tougher immigration laws.

A NEWSMAN asked Reusch how he could hope to be elected governor, considering the klan's image as an anti-black, anti-Catholic, anti-Jewish organization.

"The Klan is not anti-black, anti-Catholic, or

anti-anything," Reusch responded. "We are pro-Christian Americanism. Today's Klan is looking for pure Americans to protect the interests of this nation."

Reusch's theme of moderation was lost on subsequent speakers. Chaney set the public address system humming with energetic defense of white supremacy. Klan Kludds (chaplains) Marvin Miller of Columbus and Joseph Kozma did likewise.

"This is a white man's country, and I feel it's time we reclaimed our own," Chaney declared. "It's time we stand up and fight for law and order."

Chaney called blacks "an inferior being, the lowest form of humanity," and Miller implied that the biblical "beasts of the field" was a reference to blacks.

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
REALM OF OHIO

The following article appeared in "The Journal Herald,"  
Dayton, Ohio on August 6, 1973:

## KKK chief plans bid for governor

Dale Reusch is a 34-year-old auto worker who'd like to make John J. Gilligan a one-term governor.

Reusch, who said he just missed being elected Medina County sheriff last year, tried to drum up support yesterday during a Dayton rally of his chief followers, the Ku Klux Klan.

Reusch, the Klan's Ohio grand dragon for five years, plans to run in next year's Democratic primary if he can get the backing. The fact that the incumbent governor is a Democrat doesn't bother him.

"Gilligan is going to be a one-term governor, anyway, because he's disliked by the working people," Reusch said. "He's brought more taxes than any other governor, even Jimmy Rhodes."

Reusch says he'll also fight Cleveland businessman Howard Metzenbaum's Senate bid, as he did in 1970, because the millionaire doesn't hire union employees, despite his claims of concern for unions.

The head Klansman has worked at the Ford plant in

Brook Park, a Cleveland suburb, for 16 years and has run unsuccessfully for union office. He lives in Lodi, about 35 miles south of Cleveland, where he used to have a farm.

Reusch says he wants to be governor to help clean up government at both the state and national levels. He says his platform will include opposition to gun controls and big central government and support for strong narcotics laws.

State officials "have got to realize they represent the working people, not just high corporations," he said.

Reusch was hoping yesterday to increase Klan membership as well as promote his own candidacy.

But the turnout disappointed him and he blamed "poor publicity by the news media."

He estimated 150 to 200 persons showed up at Wampler's Ballarena during the four-hour rally. Only about 25 were still there near the end.

So Reusch plans another Dayton area rally in the fall, that one out in the countryside.

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The following article appeared in the Cincinnati  
'Enquirer,' Cincinnati, Ohio, and other publications on  
December 2, 1973:



## YOUTHS PROTEST MEETING

# KKK Group, Pickets Clash

By NED STOUT  
Of The Dispatch Staff

A handful of Ku Klux Klan members clashed briefly Saturday evening with a small group of protestors outside a Klan rally at the Holiday Inn, 1301 Stringtown Rd., Grove City.

Grove City police, who called in all available men in anticipation of a disturbance, moved in speedily to break up the fight. The fray started as a KKK member attempted to enter an outside door into the rally meeting room as the 20 protestors paraded around the building.

POLICE ORDERED the pickets, believed to be Peo-

ples Labor Party (PLP) members from the Ohio State University area, out of the parking lot and there was no further disturbance.

The most serious injury reported was to a KKK member who suffered a slight head laceration. One of the pickets struck him with the handle of anti-Klan placard during the scuffling.

After the PLP pickets wandered off into the night, several other young persons, who said they were representatives of the Columbus Young Socialist Alliance passed out handbills at the motel entrance, protesting the KKK meeting.

ABOUT NINE of the group filtered into the meeting room where they watched a KKK wedding ceremony and listened to a battery of speakers headed by Dale Reusch of Lodi, Ohio. Reusch, 34, is Grand Dragon of the Ohio Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. He said he is passing petitions in an effort to become the Democrat nominee for Ohio governor in 1974.

Before the speakers, who generally lambasted President Nixon, Governor Gilligan, most elected politicians, the UN, immigrants, the press and "the international bankers conspiracy, a Cleveland couple, wearing white KKK robes was married by a clergyman flown in from Detroit, especially for the ceremony.

A cross, outlined with red light bulbs, was the principal decoration as the Rev. Kenneth Jameson, 31, pastor of the Mountain Church of Jesus Christ the Savior, nervously conducted the service.

JAMESON, WHO later said it was the first wedding he had performed, had not earlier met the nuptial couple, Russell L. Chewning, 24, and Susan Kurtz, 23.

Jameson wore a black robe with the inscription, "Don't Tread on Me" embroidered on the chest. He said he is not a Klansman, "but we preach quite a bit of their doctrine."

A DOZEN Klansmen, in robes of red, white and green, formed a double line behind the couple during the ceremonies. Only one, briefly, wore a black mask over his face.

Reusch presented the couple with a Bible, signed by all the Klan leaders who had attended the rally of about 50 persons.

REUSCH SAID interest in

the KKK is growing and while he would not give exact figures he estimated the Ohio membership at between 8,000 and 9,000.

Among those attending the rally was Marvin Miller, of Miller's Trailer Court, Sheppard Rd., Lockbourne, leader of the Central Ohio KKK.

Before the formalities, a tape recorder played "Dixie" and various KKK songs. In the rear on the room were tables with an array of Klan souvenirs, ash trays, belt buckles and wall plaques for sale.

Reusch warned his listeners that "the Commies have 18 million people scheduled to perish in the United States."

"WE'VE BEEN misrepresented by a bunch of cheap politicians who owe their allegiance to the United Nations even though they took their oaths to the United States," Reusch said.

"... We'll be lucky to have another presidential election, what with the man in Washington now a dictator."

He warned that the government still maintains "12 or 13 of the concentration camps they had for the Japanese in World War II" for future political dissenters.

A Holiday Inn spokesman said the motel management was not aware, when Miller first reserved the room, it would be used by the KKK. Miller, the spokesman said, merely told the reservation clerk he wanted the space

"for a political meeting." Only after an advertisement was published in mid-week for the rally, did Holiday know it, would host the Klan.



**KKK "KONJUGALITIES"**—A young Cleveland couple was married in a Klu Klux Klan ceremony at the Holiday Inn South in Grove City. A Detroit, Mich., clergyman, the Rev. Kenneth Jameson, left, flew in to perform the ceremony. At Jameson's left is Dale Reusch

of Lodi, Grand Dragon of the Ohio Knights of the KKK. Flanking the young couple, Susan Kurtz, 23, and Russell L. Chewning, 24, Carolyn Howard and Winford O'Dell, also of Cleveland. (Dispatch Photo)

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The National Socialist White People's Party, also known as The American Nazi Party, American Nazis, and The George Lincoln Rockwell Party, was organized on February 26, 1956, at Arlington, Virginia, based upon the concept of an international "National Socialist" movement as espoused by the German Nazi Party headed by Adolf Hitler. The organization supports and follows the line of hatred against Negroes, Jews, and communists through various propaganda media seeking a legitimate dominant political party in the United States and foreign countries.

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On December 11, 1973, confidential source [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the first official function held by the NKKKK in the State of Pennsylvania was held on December 8, 1973, at Henrique's Dance Studio, Street Road, Bensalem Township, Pa., at 8:00 p.m. It was a banquet to raise funds for [redacted] who was recently convicted in a

U.S. Federal Court for [redacted]

[redacted] To disguise the nature and purpose of this banquet, it was held under the name "Christian Unity Dinner". [redacted] was the former [redacted] of the United Klans of America, Inc., for the State of Michigan, and is [redacted]

[redacted] Conoctah, Michigan.

The UKA, Inc., Realm of Pennsylvania, has no official leader in the state and each klavern is directly responsible to the National Headquarters of the UKA, Inc., Tuscaloosa, Ala. Each klavern adheres to the same aims and objectives as the parent organization, which are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU  
KLUX KLAN; CHRISTIAN UNITY  
DINNER, 12/8/73, BENSALEM  
TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA

The United Klans of America, Inc., was chartered in 1961 in Georgia. Its aims and purposes are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. It is the dominant Klan group in the South with headquarters at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is currently active in several states.

On November 20, 1973, the Bucks County Klavern, Unit #12, Trevoise, Pa., Philadelphia Klavern Unit #20, Philadelphia, Pa., Upper Darby Klavern, Unit #10, and the Hamilton Klavern, Hamilton, New Jersey, elected to dissociate these Klaverns from the UKA, Inc., and to affiliate these klaverns with the NKKKK.

This banquet was not open to the public and the only persons invited were members of known right-wing organizations.

Confidential source [ ] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 10, 1973, the banquet took place as planned. Approximately one hundred persons attended this affair.

[ ] was the first speaker. He spoke about [ ] and his need of financial assistance. Pa,

A person who was introduced as [ ] led those who were in attendance in a prayer.



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Confidential source [ ] identified [ ] of the  
Hamilton, New Jersey, Klavern, who was made a minister  
[ ] of the Upper  
Darby, Pa., Klavern, Unit #10, until he switched to the  
NKKKK and organized this dinner.

Confidential source [ ] advised that [ ]  
[ ] from Reading, Pa., spoke about the unjust  
trial which was held for [ ]  
stated that [ ] was falsely accused, he was  
not guilty of the offense for which he was charged, and  
he received an unfair sentence. He called for "white power"  
and told those present to follow the leadership of [ ]  
[ ] of the UKA, Inc., and [ ]  
[ ] of the Minutemen.

The Minutemen is a paramilitary group organized  
in June 1960 [ ] in Norborne,  
Mo., as a resistance to the spread of communism  
in the United States by use of guerrilla tactics.

The Patriotic Party has been the political arm  
of the Minutemen.

Medals of commendation were awarded to [ ]  
[ ] members of the Pine Bush,  
New York, Klavern, NKKKK.

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[redacted] National Renaissance  
Party, accepted medals for [redacted]  
[redacted] members of the National Renaissance Party (NRP).

The NRP was founded in 1948 [redacted]  
It is a pro-German, anti-Negro and anti-Semitic  
organization. Its headquarters is in New York,  
New York. It has described itself as a political  
party devoted to restoration of the American  
Republic, the preservation of American sovereignty  
and the establishment of an American regime based  
on the principals of nationalism and social justice.

Confidential sources [redacted] advised that seventy  
to one hundred people attended this affair, including males,  
females and some children.

[redacted]

A buffet dinner was served after the speeches.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 2/4/74

FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-39) (C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
EM - NKKKK

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Re Atlanta letter 1/15/74.

FLA  
MINISTER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION  
Contact with [redacted] during 1973 has reflected that there is no unit of this organization in Jacksonville. There are two individuals, [redacted] in Jacksonville who claim connections with the NKKKK but they are not known to be members.

On 8/30/73 and again on 1/28/74 [redacted] of Jacksonville was interviewed regarding the NKKKK in Jacksonville. He stated he and [redacted] are associated with the NKKKK but there is no organization in Jacksonville nor are there any members of NKKKK in Jacksonville.

In view of the above, Jacksonville will not submit an annual report regarding the NKKKK and no insert is being submitted.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO			jns
		CHARACTER OF CASE	
		EM - KLAN	

FOI/PA # 279,524  
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

One copy of this report is being designated for  
 the U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Two copies of an FD-376 are stapled to this  
 report.

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Two copies of this report are being furnished to  
 the Atlanta Division, the Office of Origin for the National  
 Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. Two copies of this report are  
 being furnished for Cleveland due to activities of the  
 NKKKK members from their Division who periodically conduct

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activities in the Cincinnati Division. Individuals mentioned in this report who were within the Cincinnati Division are subjects of current investigation. It should be noted that the NKKKK in the Cincinnati Division is centered primarily in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area. The active members are under the control of [redacted] [redacted] Lodi, Ohio, which is in the Cleveland Division. Under the activities section of this report only activities that have been carried on in the Cincinnati Division have been set forth.

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This investigation is based on information which indicates that the NKKKK is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241 (Conspiracy against rights of citizens); Section 245 (Federally protected activities), Civil Rights Act of 1968; or related Civil Rights Statutes.

Klan organizations claim as their aims the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races. They are primarily antiblack and anti-Semitic.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their Constitutional rights.

LEADS:

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AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will continue to follow and report activities of the NKKKK.

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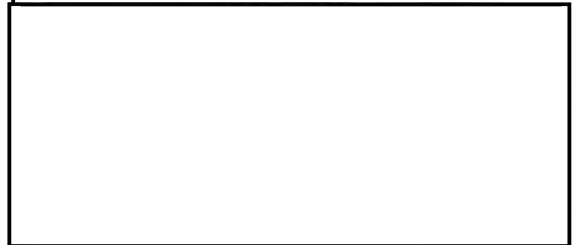
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

**February 14, 1974**

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: **NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU  
KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)**

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☒ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Clarence M. Kelley".  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1  
U. S. Secret Service, **Cincinnati, Ohio**

Enclosure(s)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: [REDACTED]

Date: 2/14/74

Office: Cincinnati

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Field Office File #: CI 157-245

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Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(NKKKK), REALM OF OHIO

Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - KLAN

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Synopsis: NKKKK, Realm of Ohio, has held three public rallies during 1973 within the Cincinnati Division. Details of these rallies as well as private meetings set forth. The NKKKK is under the leadership of [REDACTED] Lodi, Ohio. [REDACTED] Winchester, Ohio is responsible for the NKKKK in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area. The best estimate of NKKKK active membership within the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area is five individuals. Another ten individuals can be claimed as supporters.

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DETAILS:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU  
KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) was granted a charter in Georgia in 1963 as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order". The NKKKK, a consolidation of various Klans in southern states, continues to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

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CINCINNATI DIVISION

I. IDENTITY OF ORGANIZATION

A. Name and Headquarters

Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Ohio, has an address of Office of [redacted] [redacted] Post Office Box 248, Lodi, Ohio, 44254, with a phone number of [redacted] The location of the National Headquarters has the following address of JAMES R. VENABLE, Stone Mountain, Georgia. Telephone numbers of the National Headquarters is shown under the name of JAMES R. VENABLE, 469-9786 (home), and office numbers of 688-9137, 524-4966, 938-5921.

(Source: [redacted]  
January 21, 1974)

B. Charter Information

No information has been received relative to the NKKKK having been chartered in the State of Ohio.

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(Source: [redacted]  
January 21, 1974)

C. Identity of Officers

[redacted] Realm of Ohio.  
[redacted] Realm of  
Cleveland, Ohio.

[redacted] Realm of  
Loveland, Ohio.

[redacted] Realm of  
Akron, Ohio, and [redacted]  
for Ohio NKKKK.

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Realm of Columbus, Ohio.

A source advised on February 12, 1974, that [redacted] presently residing in Winchester, Ohio is responsible for all NKKKK local activities in and around the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area. [redacted] is under the leadership of [redacted] supra. [redacted] is the leader of all NKKKK activities in the State of Ohio

(Source: [redacted] on February 12, 1974)

#### D. Membership

Total membership in the State of Ohio is estimated at approximately 100 members of whom only a small minority are active in Klan functions. The Klan has numerous non-member supporters, all of whom do not take any active part in the organization.

(Source: [redacted]  
January 21, 1974)

Not more than five individuals, known to be members, in or around Loveland, Ohio, have ever been seen in attendance at local private meetings of the NKKKK. There are approximately ten individuals in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area who can be claimed as supporters. NKKKK rallies usually draw interested spectators who are more or less curiosity seekers.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 12, 1974).

#### E. Objectives

No information has been developed in the Cincinnati Division relative to the stated objectives of the NKKKK. Speeches at NKKKK rallies held in the Cincinnati area have centered around denunciation of Negroes, Jews and President NIXON's administration.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 12, 1974)

## II. ACTIVITIES

### A. Public Activities

The NKKKK Realm of Ohio, held a rally during

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the evening of May 19, 1973, at Loveland Park, Ohio.

[ ] gave the main address of the evening. JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, Stone Mountain, Georgia, also addressed those in attendance. [ ] spoke against the Congress of the United States, the present administration and the bussing problem. [ ] related that the Negroes are united and that the white people must unite for the preservation of the white race. VENABLE also condemned the present political scene and made several anti-Negro statements.

(Source: [ ]  
May 20, 1973).

On August 4, 1973, [ ] meeting of the NKKKK, Realm of Ohio was held at the [ ] Fayetteville, Ohio. The purpose of this meeting was to make plans for an NKKKK rally to be held the next day, August 5, 1973 at the Hara Arena in Dayton, Ohio. During this meeting, [ ] stated that the rally in Dayton the next day would make or break the Klan. He advised it was important to have a large turnout because he had rented the Hara Arena for \$500 plus the fact that radio, television and newspapers had all been alerted to the rally and he did not want any bad publicity.

On August 5, 1973, the NKKKK held the above-mentioned rally at the Hara Arena, Dayton, Ohio. Attendance at the rally was poor; not more than 40 individuals were noted in attendance. Speakers at this rally included [ ] from Indiana [ ] in his speech announced he would run for Governor for the State of Ohio in the next election and spent his time talking about current problems such as drugs, crime, and the fact that the centralized government is presently too distant from the people. [ ] was more volatile in his speech and accused Negroes of being "inferior beings". It was a comical blow to the NKKKK as a whole and [ ] in particular because the Hara Arena was equipped to seat around 1,000 individuals and no more than 40 attended the rally.

(Source: [ ]  
August 14, 1973 )

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On September 29, 1973, the NKKKK held a rally which included a Klan wedding and cross burning. The site of the rally was near Lewisburg, Ohio. Approximately 100 people were in attendance including news media and onlookers. [redacted] was in attendance as well as [redacted] a reported minister from the Detroit area.

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(Source: [redacted]  
October 1, 1973)

On December 1, 1973, a rally was held at Holiday Inn, Grove City, Ohio. At this rally, [redacted] discussed plans for his future election and announced he had chosen [redacted] Columbus, Ohio to run as his Lieutenant Governor. A Klan wedding also took place during the evening's activities. Prior to the meeting a scuffle ensued between a local Columbus left wing group who had been picketing the Holiday Inn. This scuffle was brief, no arrests were made and no one was injured.

(Source: [redacted]  
December 3, 1973)

#### B. Private Meetings

On July 21, 1973, a small Klan meeting was held in a private home in Loveland Park, Ohio, presided over by [redacted]. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a Klan initiation to be held July 22, 1973 at the home of [redacted] in Lodi, Ohio.

On July 22, 1973, four individuals were initiated into the NKKKK at the home of [redacted] Lodi, Ohio. Sixteen individuals were present, including the four initiates.

(Source: [redacted]  
July 23, 1973).

[redacted] an NKKKK meeting was held in Loveland Park, Ohio. Present were five individuals. Meeting discussed the fact that the NKKKK is looking for a place to hold permanent winter meetings in the Loveland area, but no site was settled upon.

(Source: [redacted]  
November 5, 1973).

[redacted] an NKKKK meeting was held in Loveland Park, Ohio. Only three individuals showed up for the meeting, one of which was [redacted] supra. [redacted] announced plans for a rally to be held at the Holiday Inn, Grove City, Ohio on December 1, 1973. [redacted] also spoke about his candidacy for the governorship of the State of Ohio.

(Source: [redacted]  
November 19, 1973).

[redacted] a small meeting of the NKKKK was held at Oregonia, Ohio, attended by four current members of the NKKKK from the Loveland, Ohio area and three individuals formerly associated with the NKKKK. [redacted] was supposed to attend this meeting, but did not show up. In the meeting, the three former members all voiced strong dissatisfaction with [redacted] and his handling of the NKKKK in Ohio.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 3, 1974).

There are no regularly scheduled meetings of the NKKKK in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area. The meetings that occurred have been hastily called and generally turned to discussions of no importance.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 12, 1974).

#### C. Violence and Acquisition of Weapons

There has been no reports of acts of violence or acquisition of weapons.

#### D. Recruiting

At every rally, attempts are made to recruit new members. An ample amount of applications for membership are on hand and if filled out are sent to [redacted] supra. At some of the called meetings of the NKKKK in the Cincinnati-Loveland area, new members were supposed to be initiated, but on these occasions, the initiates failed to attend the meetings.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 12, 1974).

E. Training Sessions

There have been no training sessions in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 12, 1974).

III. FINANCES

This information is maintained solely by [redacted] himself. [redacted] does his banking in the Lodi, Ohio, area and he collects \$2.00 a month dues from each member. [redacted] has claimed to collect about \$200.00 a month in dues, but there have also been instances where [redacted] has had to borrow money from other Klansmen to travel to Klan rallies.

On February 12, 1973 [redacted] made the statement that the Klan in Ohio cost him about \$3,000 annually to run and that he is not seeing any results from the efforts he is putting into it.

(Source: [redacted]  
January 21, 1974).

Members of the NKKKK in the Cincinnati-Loveland, Ohio area pay dues directly to [redacted]. They are \$2.00 per month, paid in six-month installments.

(Source: [redacted]  
February 12, 1974).

IV. PUBLICATIONS

There is no official Ohio NKKKK publication. [redacted] does have some type of printing machine in the basement of his residence which he uses for printing propaganda. This printing press was reportedly broken and unable to be repaired, however.

(Source: [redacted]  
January 21, 1974).